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The Boys & Girls Of Summer



PERRY LANE SUMMER CAMPERS are pictured at the recent field day at Harmon Smith Field. Campers participated in a variety of events under the supervision of the camp's counselors. The field day has been a summer event for many years at the town's sponsored camp. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



Public Hearing Continued To Sept. On Alleged Misuse Of Town's Funds

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

Two town councilors were criticized at Monday night's council meeting for absenting themselves from a public hearing on the advice of the town solicitor, yet even the person who instigated the hearing said he did not have his lawyer's permission to speak to the council.

Citing a legal opinion sent to the council by Town Solicitor Thomas S. Locke, Council President Nancy Thompson and Councilor Christian Quatrone vacated their seats to avoid inadvertently subjecting themselves or the town to potential liability for defamation, slander, and/or libel at the public hearing called to determine if the misuse of public funds has been allowed by the council and by the administration.

Taking over as the presiding officer, Councilor Edward Caba said the council was required by law to hold the public hearing as petitioned by at least 50 registered voters. However, Caba said the council could continue the public hearing until its September 3rd meeting when an attorney could be present to represent the council.

Before the hearing was continued, four speakers came forward in the portion of the public hearing set aside as the time for proponents of an issue to be heard, yet none spoke on the issue of the misuse of public funds. All four speakers advocated the hiring of an attorney for the council and three speakers criticized Ms. Thompson and Quatrone for leaving the public hearing.

Under questioning from Councilor George Bitzas, former Town Councilor Valentine Moreno said, "I do not have permission from my lawyer to talk to you."

Former town councilor Paul Trimboli later stated that without his hearing aid, Moreno had been unable to hear Bitzas' question.

In addition to Trimboli, former councilor Louis Russo and Hampden County Commission candidate Abe Kasparian spoke at the public hearing.

As chairman of a three member sub-committee appointed to search for an attorney to represent

the Town Council under the provisions of Council Rule 38, Councilor Dennis Perry said he would recommend Springfield attorney and former judge John Moriarty to the full council at a special meeting to be held August 19th.

With only \$250 in the council's budget earmarked for hiring consultants, Perry asked that a vote be taken to request the transfer of funds from the town's Legal Department to cover the cost of hiring an independent counsel.

No Vote Necessary

However, Councilor Kent Servis argued that no vote was necessary to secure funding because Rule 38 states, "Funds shall be used from the account in the Law Department, 'Professional consultant services' to pay for services rendered by the attorney employed by the town council."

"The only vote necessary is the selection of the attorney," Servis said.

Subject to the approval of the majority of the full council, the selection of the attorney will require six votes.

Quatrone said comments were improperly made at the public hearing that impugned the motives of himself and Councilors Thompson and Bitzas that "dragged our names through the mud."

Ms. Thompson said absenting herself from the public hearing was not something done lightly.

Reading from Locke's letter to the council, Ms. Thompson quoted, "I believe that allegations of criminal misconduct should be investigated by an appropriate law enforcement agency which is trained and qualified to conduct such investigations... The Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts has ruled in cases involving defamation that the imputation of a crime is defamatory per se."

Ms. Thompson said Mass. General Law supersedes the council's rules and the town charter.

"It does not belong in the purview of the council to hold this hearing," Ms. Thompson said.

Keenan Announces School Grant

State Representative Daniel F. Keenan is pleased to announce that the Phelps Elementary School in Agawam has been awarded a School Building Assistance Grant.

The grant is to be used for the school construction project, and construction must begin before June 30, 1997, according to the terms of the grant.

Funding for the School Building Assistance Priority List was approved by the Legislature under the Fiscal 1997 State Budget. The grants are authorized through the state's Board of Education for capital projects such as new buildings, major additions, or renovations which include upgrading the entire structure so as to insure an educational and structural life of at least 20 years.

The School Building Assistance Program was established in 1948 and is one of the oldest Cherry Sheet aid programs in the Commonwealth.

"We in the Legislature have taken a strong stand not only to fully fund our public education system under Education Reform, but also to maintain and improve the infrastructure of our school system," said Rep. Keenan. "We are committed to providing a quality learning environment for our students and teachers."

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by Fire Chief David Pisano

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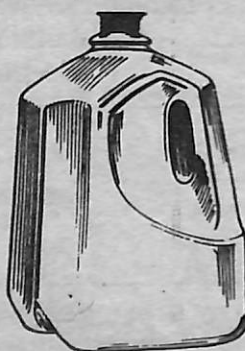
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Lung Association Notes Publication Of Story

To The Editor:

Thank you so much for running the article on Stewart Withee's upcoming Autumn Escape Bike Trek to benefit the ALA of Western Massachusetts.

Stewart's efforts on our behalf are all about being a good neighbor who sees a need and steps in to fill it.

Your effort and willingness to help Stewart and us are what community newspapers are all about - neighbors helping neighbors, in business and personal endeavors and crises.

Again, our thanks.

Marie Sheedy
Special Events Associate
American Lung Association

Majority Of Council Not Acting In Town's Best Interests

To The Editor:

The majority of the Agawam Town Council has not acted in the best interest of the Town of Agawam. Their failure to act to approve the in-lieu-of-tax agreement negotiated with Berkshire Power cost the town \$13 million, and future inaction will cost Agawam another \$75 million. They have also cost Agawam the PROTECTION against financial loss that could result from changes in the operation of the power plant.

Therefore, the CAT Core Group calls for the resignation of Councilors Gary Sufritti, Thomas Ennis, Edward Caba, Kent Servis, Joseph Langone, Dennis Perry, and David Skolnick. These seven councilors have jeopardized the future of Agawam by refusing to work collaboratively with the Mayor and Berkshire Power to develop and approve a tax agreement that provides a guaranteed, steadily increasing income to the town and that contains provisions providing safety and protection for all Agawam residents.

However, the revenue provided by the tax agreement is not the primary concern of CAT. **Most important** is that the contract that these councilors have refused to act on contained provisions guaranteeing Agawam PROTECTION against unfavorable changes that could occur from an economic downturn in the region, and changes in the operation of the power plant, including: **Protection** guaranteeing tax revenue from the facility regardless of its owner; **Protection** guaranteeing an increasing revenue stream regardless of the output of the plant; and **Protection** guaranteeing Agawam funding to act to safely dismantle the facility should the need arise.

Because of the inaction, irresponsibility, and shortsightedness of Councilors Sufritti, Ennis, Caba, Servis, Perry, Langone, and Skolnick, the town has been deprived of guaranteed benefits, such as lighted ball fields, school funding, capital improvements funding, community improvement funding, and a commitment that Berkshire Power will never seek a tax abatement. The town also

will lose the commitment to low-cost power for the community which will become available with the upcoming deregulation of the power industry. Agawam needs elected officials that will work with developers who wish to locate in town so that the abutters to developments and the rest of the taxpayers are well-protected. Their unwillingness to do that is proof that these seven individuals don't represent the taxpayers of Agawam.

We are demanding their resignation so that we may elect responsible, educated, and caring people to lead Agawam into the future.

Concerned Agawam Taxpayers
Vivian M. Dziardziel, Spokesperson

Open Pantry Seeking Help For Summer Programs

To The Editor:

As summer progresses, all our thoughts go to vacation and the lazy days of summer. We at the Open Pantry still need your help as our summer programs go into full swing. Let me review the year.

The Parent-Child Program is in full operation with our number of mothers participating increasing. This program teaches mothers how to care for themselves and their children. The program has helped put mothers back in school and find good jobs.

The Feeding Program gives daily breakfast and lunch to anyone who is hungry. No one is turned away. Emergency supplies are available with referral up to three times a year. Households may receive a three-day supply of food on a monthly basis. Recipients must show proof of address less than 30 days old, picture ID, and proof of household members each time they receive food.

Seasonal clothing is available for families including accessories such as shoes, boots, sheets, blankets, towels, dishes, pots and pans, and small appliances.

Other services include a social worker/advocate, healthcare for the homeless, Alcoholics Anonymous, showers, Laundromat, share programs, summer programs, and special holiday programs.

The West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry is the only agency serving the low income hungry and homeless in West Springfield, Agawam, Feeding Hills, and Southwick. The Pantry is a full-service agency committed to improving living conditions for families and single adults. The pantry seeks to provide for basic needs as well as offer advocacy services and skill training.

I wish to say thank you to the many dedicated people who work day-in and day-out to keep the pantry functioning. I do not know what we would do without you. I also need to thank all who are so faithful with their monthly checks. You are "the bread and butter of our organization."

There are many things in life we cannot change, such as the weather, the stock market, or the war in Bosnia, but there are things we can do such as make life better for the people in our community by sending a check to West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry, 1023 Main Street, West Springfield, MA 01089.

I feel privileged to live in a community that cares so much about all its members. On behalf of all who use and work in the West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

God bless and have a wonderful summer.

Sincerely,
West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry
1023 Main Street
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Picnic Being Held For Marc Callahan Fund

To The Editor: Dear Friends:

On Sunday, August 18, 1996 at 2:00 p.m., Anne Brunelle and myself will host an appreciation picnic for all past and present volunteers who have generously given of their time over the years to make the Marc A. Callahan Memorial Fund a success.

The event will be held at Anne's home, located at 801 Tinkham Road, Wilbraham, MA. Join us for an afternoon of food, drinks, fun, and games for all. Please bring your swimsuit and lawn chairs. A picnic buffet will be served and beer, wine, soda, and coffee will also be available.

There will be a gift of appreciation presented by the V.N.A. to John & Doris Shecrellah of X-Cellent Discount Wines & Liquors.

We are looking forward to getting together with all of our dear friends who have so generously supported the Marc A. Callahan Fund over the past years.

For reservations, call Faith Freeman at 594-5355 or Ray Miller at 786-5568 or 525-4238.

Sincerely,
Ray & J. Miller

Marc A. Callahan Memorial Fund Committee

Good Times Will End When The Wells Run Dry

To The Editor:

Regarding your July 4th *Advertiser News*, page 5 article by Mr. Don Hazen: "There Is Good News And Bad News For Town of Agawam."

The bad news that is sure to come and our sure some of us as well as our children will be around when the oil wells run dry. So the sooner the more fuel-guzzing power plants like Berkshire Power are on the grid, the sooner the good times will end.

Charles Avezzie
Agawam

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LETTERS - from Page 4...**Let There Be Light On
Liswell Drive In F.H.****To The Editor:**

A statement phrased, "please do not take our new street lights away," is both misleading and inaccurate.

A petition, signed by 14 of the 17 homes on Liswell Drive, was properly filed with the Town Clerk's office. This petition requests the removal of **ONE** light pole from the street. The remaining three lights on corners are **not** an issue.

This petition might have been avoided if prior placement of any new poles and lighting, **ALL** neighbors were informed of the proposed placement. Why did only **ONE** privileged neighbor receive a copy of proposed pole placement? Why were we not **ALL** given the courtesy of contacting Mr. Stone or Northeast Utilities, quoting from a June 7th letter, "should there be any problems with these locations"?

I would like to gratefully thank each of my neighbors on Liswell Drive for their gracious, compassionate, and willing help. I am truly fortunate to have neighbors who have the ability to put themselves in my place, and agree that they would not want to live in the same circumstances.

Hopefully, we can all live in peace with a light on each corner.

Sincerely,
Joyce Ledone
Liswell Drive
Feeding Hills

**Former Resident Upset
About Upkeep Of Grounds****To The Editor:**

I am writing this letter as a former resident of Agawam and as a frequent visitor. My family and I have recently been in the area visiting family and friends on vacation when we were disappointed to notice the poorly maintained grounds at the elderly housing complex at the former Danahy School.

The lawn at the complex was overgrown and weeds were in abundance. My husband and I were also dismayed at the deteriorating condition of the roads and sidewalks in North Agawam. We

were also aware of youths loitering at businesses on Walnut and Springfield Streets as well as O'Brien's Corner.

We also were quite conscious of a lack of police presence in the North Agawam area. As North Agawam consists of many elderly people, I feel a more visible police presence, especially in the evening hours, would deter vandalism and give the residents of this area a greater feeling of security.

I would like Mayor Johnson and the Agawam Town Council to remember that Agawam consists of not only of Main, Suffield, Springfield, and Cooper Streets. Your constituents also reside in North Agawam, many of whom are elderly. This area of Agawam has decayed due to the lack of attention from town government.

The town government has seen fit to remove mail boxes, the elementary school, the fire station, and even the cupola from the former Danahy elementary school (which, by the way, has ended up down at Agawam Center).

I hope this letter serves as a reminder that just because something is old doesn't mean that it doesn't deserve care and attention. My family and I will be watching and hope to see some positive changes in this area.

Sincerely,
Louise A. (Montagna) Germain
Fitzwilliam, New Hampshire

**Beautification Committee
Gives Kudos To Mr. Hallock****To The Editor:**

"The town has never looked better," is a phrase heard more often this year. This is the result of a lot of individual effort by a great many community-spirited individuals too numerous to mention.

However, a typical example of this spirit can be found in the response of David Hallock of Trinity Terrace. Each day, when driving by the "Welcome" sign at the Route 57 entrance to Agawam, David observed that the sign had been overgrown with brush and was scarcely visible. It was on the Town's list of things to be done prior to the start of the LPGA golf tournament, but was inadvertently overlooked. Knowing this was not the image of Agawam, he (or we) wanted to project to the many visitors expected, at the start of the

tournament, he drove over in his pickup truck and cleared the sign himself.

David's story is only one of the many which could be told about the people of Agawam. Others include offers to mow problem treebelts, the Boy Scouts' summer project to clean the parks in Agawam, and the Junior Women's Club's offer of assistance to the elderly in maintaining their treebelt.

We are delighted to share in the wonderful community spirit which exists and we thank those very many individuals who look after their private property and help look after our public areas. The entire town of Agawam should be quite proud of itself and its citizens.

City Councilman George Blitzas & John Zebryk, for
AGAWAM BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

**Kasperian Committed To
Restructuring County Govt.****To The Editor:**

I have been interested in county politics since November of 1995 when reviewing the land controlled by the County that is located in Agawam and the Agawam budget containing the amount assessed for payment to the County.

I began attending the County Commissioner meetings for a first-hand look on how this money was to spent. I began asking many questions and giving my ideas on how the County could better serve the individual cities and towns that make up the County. I was told by the Chair of the Commission that I should enter the race for County Commissioner and that is exactly what I have done.

I am committed to the restructuring of County government so that it can become fiscally responsible. At the last Commissioner's meeting on July 15, 1996, it was announced by the Commissioners that the County had received the \$3.7 million override and the County treasurer announced that there would also be a "mortgage burning" for the Hall of Justice at 50 State St., with a savings of \$165,000 per year.

However, instead of discussing how this savings could be returned to the individual cities and towns or how it could be used to offset the \$1.5 million per year deficit, the Chair instead announced that he would like to bond (loan against)

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50 State Street in order to build a fifth floor onto the structure.

It is clear that the county needs a new direction and fresh ideas to develop fiscal responsibility and to clearly define the role of a County Commissioner. I will work to provide the leadership and openness necessary to transform the County Commissioners from being merely the caretakers of the courthouses and the signers of checks into being the active promoters and voice of Hampden County as a region and the liaison between the 23 cities and towns that make up the County and the state legislature and the governor's office in Boston.

I'm looking for your support on September 17, 1996 during the Democratic primary. This is an important primary as the entire race will be decided on that day. All registered Democrats and Independents are urged to go to the polls and cast your vote for the candidate who can and will make a difference in County government—Abe Kasparian.

Submitted by,
Abe Kasparian
Candidate for County Commissioner

Agawam's Summer Band Receives Much Praise

To The Editor:

On Wednesday, July 31st, my family and I attended the summer band concert for the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grades, held at the Agawam High School.

The programing was both entertaining and inspiring. These young people and their instructors have practiced these last five weeks on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. (I might add, these students paid for this program.)

We were the beneficiaries of their endeavors. I, for one, cannot get the inspiring toe-tapping rendition of "Yankee Doodle Dandy" out of my mind.

I'm sure others were also so moved. The entire program was wonderful! How proud I am of these students and their contribution to the Agawam community.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Curry (Mrs. Richard J.)
Feeding Hills

Agawam Library Thanks Riverside Speedway

To The Editor:

The Agawam Library recently held a "Riverside Speedway Car and Driver's Night" for our Summer Reading Club members and their families, and we'd like to publicly thank the folks who made it a big success:

Our thanks to Ben Dodge, Director of Racing, who made the event possible. Thanks to owners and drivers Mario Fiore, Tom Fearn, Mark Anderson, Paul Mercadante, and Paul Adams, who brought their cars here, and let the kids see how it feels to sit in the driver's seat at the races.

Thanks, too, to Speedway representative Bruce Adams, who brought the pace car and free racing passes. Special thanks to Judy Clini for organizing and hosting the event.

All of these people donated their personal time and effort to the evening's program, and we truly appreciate their community spirit.

Jeanne Hofmann & Eileen Chapman
Children's Services
Agawam Public Library

Agawam U14 Allstars Thank Businesses For Support

To The Editor:

The Agawam All-Stars Girls 14 and under Fast Pitch Softball Tournament held on July 27th and 28th would like to thank **Topper's Ice Cream** for sponsoring the tournament.

We would especially like to thank **Jobilenes, McDonald's Nissan Bakery, and Hood** for their generous donations.

Also, **E.B.'s, Games and Lanes, Ploggia's, The Rollaway, Stan's, Peterjans, Blimpies, American Classics, Dave's Soda and Pet Food City, Pizza Hut, T&R Wholesale, and Super Stop and Shop** for their donations.

You helped make our tournament a great success!

Sincerely
Agawam All-Stars U14

Agawam Obituaries

John E. Cole

John E. Cole, 83, of 298 Jarvis Avenue, Holyoke, died in a local nursing home. Born in Pittsfield, he had lived in Pittsfield most of his life. He lived in Feeding Hills for years and Holyoke for the past year.

He was a Civil Defense Fireman in Pittsfield for many years and also worked as a baker. His wife, the former Ruth B. Seymour, died in 1989.

He leaves two daughters, Evelyn C. Lester of Feeding Hills and Trudy C. Sevier of Stoneham; four grandchildren, and two great-granddaughters. Another granddaughter, Debbie Sevier, died in 1995.

A memorial service was held at the Christ Church Cathedral in Springfield with private burial in Wyoming Cemetery in Melrose.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Christ Church Cathedral, 35 Chestnut Street, Springfield, MA 01103, or to the Loomis House, Jarvis Avenue, Holyoke, MA 01040.

Lester R. Bowen, Sr.

Lester R. Bowen, Sr., 81, of 58 Plantation Drive, Agawam, died in a local nursing home. Born in Colonie, New York, he lived in West Springfield most of his life and Agawam for the past four years.

He was active with his church, many businesses, and civic organizations. From 1945 to 1970, he owned and operated numerous automobile dealerships in the Springfield and Holyoke area. He was also active in Western Massachusetts real estate before his retirement in 1989.

He was a member of the South Congregational Church in Springfield, where he was a Deacon of the church, and served on the Advisory Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Investment Committee. He also served as an usher. He was a former member and director of the Holyoke Chamber of Commerce; a former member and director of the Massachusetts State Automobile Dealer Association; and former member and Chairman of the area's National Automobile Dealers Association.

He owned and ran the former Nash Dealership in Springfield, and was the first Jeep dealer in Holyoke. He owned Holyoke's Kaiser and DeSoto dealerships before becoming president and treasurer of Bowen Motors in 1958, the city's Chrysler, Plymouth, and Imperial dealership.

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Agawam Police Blotter

On August 1, 1996, **George Pelchat** of 23 Suffield St., No. 5, Agawam, was arrested and charged with domestic assault and battery.

On Friday, August 2, 1996, **Sandra Davidson** of 643 Suffield St., No. 27, Agawam, was arrested

and charged with outstanding Mass. Trial Warrant.

On Saturday, August 3, 1996, **John Labonte** on no known address was arrested and charged with two outstanding warrants.

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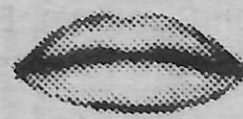
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Daniel F. Keenan

Massachusetts Economic Expansion Underway

During my year-and-a-half tenure in the Massachusetts House of Representatives, I have watched as the Legislature has put to rest that age-old maxim that Massachusetts is unfriendly to business. Although this long held belief never gave the complete picture, the perception that our state did more to thwart business expansion and job growth hampered many efforts to keep existing companies and to attract out-of-state companies to the Commonwealth.

As a member of the Taxation Committee, I was privileged to be a part of changes to the tax structure that should boost economic development in this state by retaining existing industries and promoting their expansion. The Legislature took decisive action to make Massachusetts more competitive with other states in order to retain and attract higher paying industries.

The Bank Tax Reform was a conscious effort to retain the 55,000 jobs in the banking industry in the state. The bank tax rate in Massachusetts was the highest in the nation; and recognizing the importance of preserving Massachusetts as the financial hub of the Northeast, the Legislature enacted meaningful changes to the tax system. The reform provided not only a tax reduction over five years, but closed the loopholes that allowed large credit card companies and out of state banks to escape paying Massachusetts taxes. It revamped the way Massachusetts banks are taxed so that only the income produced by Massachusetts activities is taxed.

The Legislature also adopted the Single Sales Law for manufacturers after the state lost 200,000 manufacturing jobs between 1985 and 1994. This single sales tax incentive establishes that manufacturers are taxed only on in-state sales, thereby removing prior penalties for increasing in-state payroll or property and encouraging manufacturers to expand in Massachusetts.

The recent mutual fund industry legislation is a further example of the Legislature's efforts to reduce the cost of doing business in Massachusetts. The goal is to create 11,000 new good-paying jobs in the financial industry with many of them to locate in Western Massachusetts. The Legislature also took steps to freeze unemployment insurance rates to further reduce costs, and the state cut workers' compensation insurance premiums so that average rates are 40 percent less than they were in 1993. In addition, many of the business permitting processes have been streamlined to facilitate their expansion.

The Massachusetts economy has many factors that should make our state attractive to business. The state has a high concentration of research universities and government funded institutes and medical centers which turn out well-educated individuals who may in turn create their own

businesses, products, and jobs. The Legislature and the Administration have worked cooperatively over the last several years to fashion a realistic budget that meets the needs of our citizens while streamlining the costs of delivering public services. This management of the state's budget creates confidence in a healthy economy.

Since 1991, Massachusetts has added jobs at a rate just shy of the national rate, but at the same time, its pool of skilled labor has grown far more slowly. This dearth of skilled labor is an element that cannot be overlooked if we are to assure the Commonwealth's economic well-being. High skill labor shortages in the software and networking industries is national scope, and the demand for workers with these skills is driving growth in Raleigh, Phoenix, Austin, Portland, Denver, Seattle, and abroad. A key component in the state's economic development is the public education of our students, who must be judged as being competent and capable of competing in not only the national but the global marketplace as well.

There are other areas of concern, as well, such as labor costs, utility costs, and specialized state taxes. Infrastructure connections between Logan Airport and suburban campuses and between labor pools from the larger cities again to these suburban facilities are not merely an inconvenience, but an impediment to future expansion of key industries.

It is believed by many industry analysts that most industries concerned with the high costs of operating in Massachusetts have moved elsewhere and that Massachusetts companies are now making location decisions between the various New England states. A case in point is Fidelity's plans to locate its new mutual fund offices to Rhode Island.

There are economic sectors where Massachusetts excels and is poised to compete, such as Internet and Networking, Applications Software, Biotechnology, Computers and Semiconductor Equipment and Materials, and Customer Service. Springfield is regarded as a hub of the telecommunications system with its fiber optic network.

Western Massachusetts has enormous growth potential for future economic development in this state. The area, which is home to a large number of colleges and universities, has a well-educated workforce to provide the skilled labor pool necessary to expanding business. There are large blocks of commercial space available for companies seeking large suburban, campus-style facilities. The highway system and the proximity to Bradley Airport are pluses for companies seeking to relocate out from the Metropolitan Boston Area.

We in the Legislature have been cognizant of the need to retain and to expand business opportunities in this state. A healthy, vibrant economy will help grow well-paying jobs that in turn will help increase revenues for the services and programs expected by our citizens. The quality of life we enjoy in Massachusetts surely makes us competitive with any other state in the union, and we are doing our part to ensure that the Commonwealth remains a great place to live, work, and raise our families.

Melconian Announces Two Bills Pass On Consumer Protection

Senate Assistant Majority Leader Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) has announced passage of two pieces of consumer protection legislation, one providing information on doctors and another requiring tobacco companies to disclose the additives and nicotine levels in their products.

The first piece of legislation, passed on July 31st the last day of the formal legislative session, would give consumers access to profiles of their doctors from the state Board of Registration in Medicine beginning in January 1997. Information provided would include malpractice history, education, criminal history, awards, and major appointments.

"This is a great piece of legislation which will give the consumer the proper information needed to make informed health care decisions," Melconian said. "It is a safety issue, but it is also an issue of comfort for consumers who want to feel confident about their doctors." The Massachusetts Medical Society and the other medical groups were supportive of the measure.

The other consumer bill passed by the Senate in April and given final legislative approval last week, is the Tobacco Disclosure Act, the first of its kind in the United States. Under the act, companies producing tobacco products must file a report annually with the Department of Public Health detailing the amount of nicotine and additives other than tobacco and water contained in their product. The reports would then be released to the public. Federal law requires disclosure of ingredients to the Department of Health and Human Services, but the list of ingredients is not released to the public.

"People have the right to be informed about ingredients in cigarettes," Melconian said. "It is no different than a can of soda or a box of spaghetti. Ingredient disclosure is part of everyday life, and this legislation will do nothing to prevent people from smoking."

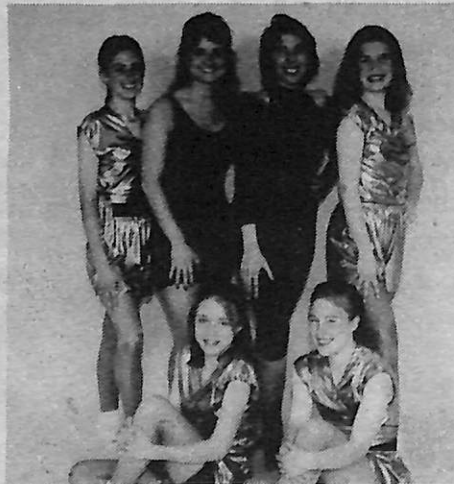
Both pieces of legislation made it to the Governor's desk prior to Wednesday's midnight deadline. The Governor has indicated a willingness to sign both bills.

"I am happy that we were able to pass such important consumer measures in the waning days of the session. Both bills will provide our citizens with the information necessary to make educated decisions," Melconian said.

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Agawam Obituaries - from Page 6 ...

He leaves his wife, the former Alice G. Dempsey; a son, Lester R. Bowen, Jr., of Burk, Virginia; two daughters, Alice L. Bowen of West Springfield and Lynn C. Goodhind of Shutesbury; a brother, Earl K. Bowen of Norwood; a sister, Elizabeth Briggs of Norwood, and six grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

A memorial service was held at the South Congregational Church, Springfield, with private burial in Paucatuck Cemetery, West Springfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to the South Congregational Church, 45 Maple Street, Springfield, MA 01105 or to the Country Estates Nursing Home, 1200 Suffield Street, Agawam, MA 01001. West Springfield Curran-Jones Funeral Home was in charge.

Louise R. Maruer

Louise R. (Pueschel) Maurer, 85, of 150 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills, died in Springfield's Baystate Medical Center. Born in Holyoke, the daughter of Ewald and Bertha (Anders) Maurer, she graduated from Chicopee High School and has lived in Feeding Hills for over 50 years.

She had worked for many years as a secretary at the former Country Club Soda Company, Springfield, and as the manager of Strathmore Credit Union, Westfield. She and her beloved husband, Henry Maurer, who died in 1984, were founding members of the Valley Community Church of Feeding Hills. For many years, she ran a kennel for boarding cats at her home.

She leaves two daughters, Jill Keene of Feeding Hills and Linda Orr of Suffield, CT. In recent years, she made her home with both of them. She also leaves her son-in-law, Richard Orr, and her grandchildren, Donald, Hank, and Stephen Keene, Matthew Orr, and Christine Messmer, as well as four great-grandchildren, Sara Keene, Zackery Keene, and Nicole and Alexandria Messmer. She is also survived by 13 nieces and nephews.

There were no calling hours. Burial will be held at the convenience of the family in Agawam Cemetery. A memorial service was held at Valley Community Church, Feeding Hills.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice at Western Mass. Hospital, 91 East Mountain Road, Westfield, MA 01085, or Valley Community Church, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.

William F. Cascella

William F. Cascella, 70, of Prestwick, Scotland, and formerly of Agawam, died on July 22nd at home. Born and raised in Agawam, he was a graduate of Agawam High School.

He was a technical sergeant in the Army Tank Corps, and an Air Force meteorologist for 22 years. He was stationed in this country, England, and Scotland.

He was the son of the late Rocco Cascella, a former Agawam selectman. He leaves his wife, the former Jean Niven; a daughter, Doreen Montgomery of Symington, Scotland; two sisters, Carolyn Cascella and Anna K. Cascella of West Springfield, MA, and a grandson.

A memorial Mass will be offered on August 11th at 12:15 p.m. at St. Thomas Church in West Springfield. Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home of West Springfield is in charge.

Memorial contributions may be made to the British Heart Association, in care of the funeral home at P.O. Box 889, West Springfield, 01090-889, or any other charity.

Frances (Przystas) Romanowicz

Frances (Przystas) Romanowicz, 101, formerly of 54 Lincoln Street, Feeding Hills, died Thursday, August 1st at Country Estates in Agawam.

Born and educated in Chicopee, she moved to Feeding Hills in the 1920's. She was the founder of the Pioneer Valley Ceramic Association, and retired in 1982 from the Tony & Frances Ceramic Studio.

She was the widow of Antoni Romanowicz, a retired machinist and local school custodian, who died in 1989.

Mrs. Romanowicz was a communicant of The Holy Mother of Rosary Church of Chicopee. She leaves a sister-in-law, Mary C. Roman of Westfield; two nephews, Matthew W. Roman of Westfield and Michael F. Roman, Jr. of Schenectady, New York; and three nieces, Carol A. Lawson of Agawam, Helen Cyran of Chicopee, and Emily Wigo of Ocean City, New Jersey.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Holy Mother of Rosary Church, "Cemetery Fund," Chicopee, MA.



WILLIAM F. CASCELLA

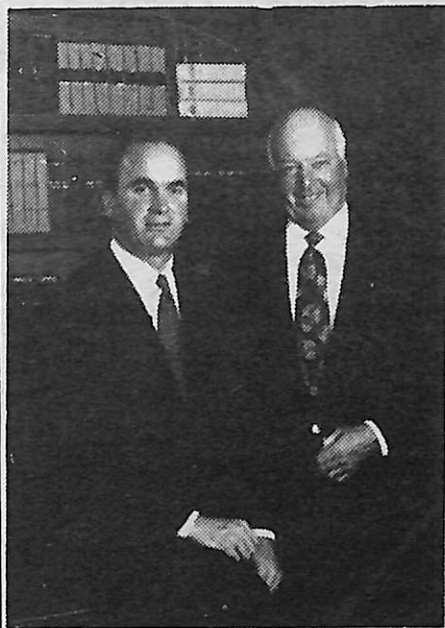
Upcoming Activities And Events At The Big E Fairgrounds

History will come alive for children, ages seven to 12, when they take part in Storowton Village's Early American Summer Days. Children will take part in candle dipping, sheep shearing, fireplace cooking, games from long ago, and more. There will be two five-day sessions, August 5th-9th and August 12th-16th, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The cost of each session is \$110. For more information and registration, call Dennis Picard at (413) 787-0136.

The East Coast Gem, Mineral and Fossil Show, August 9th-11th, is a treat for anyone who's interested in geology, earth sciences, paleontology or jewelry. With 125 dealers, this is the largest show of its kind in the east. There's something for everyone in the family with nationally known speakers and 50 museum quality displays. Kids can pan for gold and get a free mineral sample. The show will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Admission for a three-day pass is \$5 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens and students 13-18. Children, 12 and under, are admitted free when accompanied by an adult.

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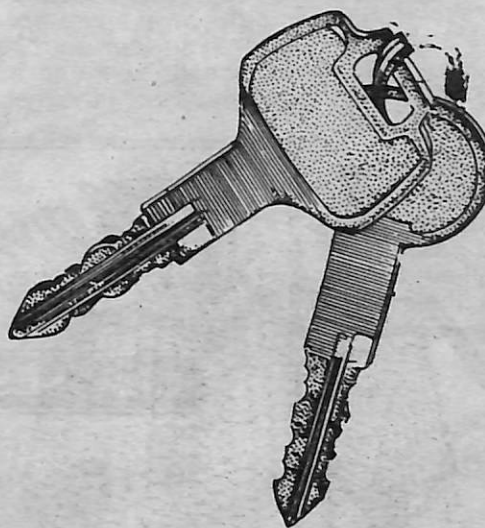
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TOM FREDETTE of Floral Concepts by Tom (photo left) adopted the planter at the intersection of Walnut and Springfield Streets and is pictured with Beautification Committee member **Zoafia Demko**. **IN PHOTO RIGHT**, Bob Cecchi of Cecchi Farms has adopted the planter at the traffic island at the intersection of Mill and Suffield Streets. Again looking on is **Zoafia Demko**. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Cecchi Farms & Floral Concepts By Tom Adopt Planters For Beautification Committee

The flowers at E. Cecchi Farms and along their Springfield Street farm have become one of the visual joys of summer. For the past four years, as part of Agawam's "Adopt-A-Planter" program sponsored by the Beautification Committee, E. Cecchi Farms has also "adopted" the traffic island at the intersection of Mill and Suffield

Streets and extended the beauty to this busy intersection.

This year, they have delivered four of their own barrels to this location which they have tastefully planted with flowers and maintain throughout the season.

Welcomed as relatively new participants in the Town's "Adopt-A-Planter" program is Floral Concepts by Tom.

cepts by Tom.

Last year, Floral Concepts maintained the barrels at the intersection of Walnut and Springfield Streets and this year, expanded their participation by also supplying and planting the flowers in the three barrels furnished by the Beautification Committee.

We hope you stop by Corn Fest. It's our way of thanking all our customers who've supported us over the years. We appreciate your business and look forward seeing you!

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The cost for all this? Nothing. It's all free. All we ask is you drop a donation in our pickle jar. We will then match your donations, dollar for dollar, and give them to a local charity.

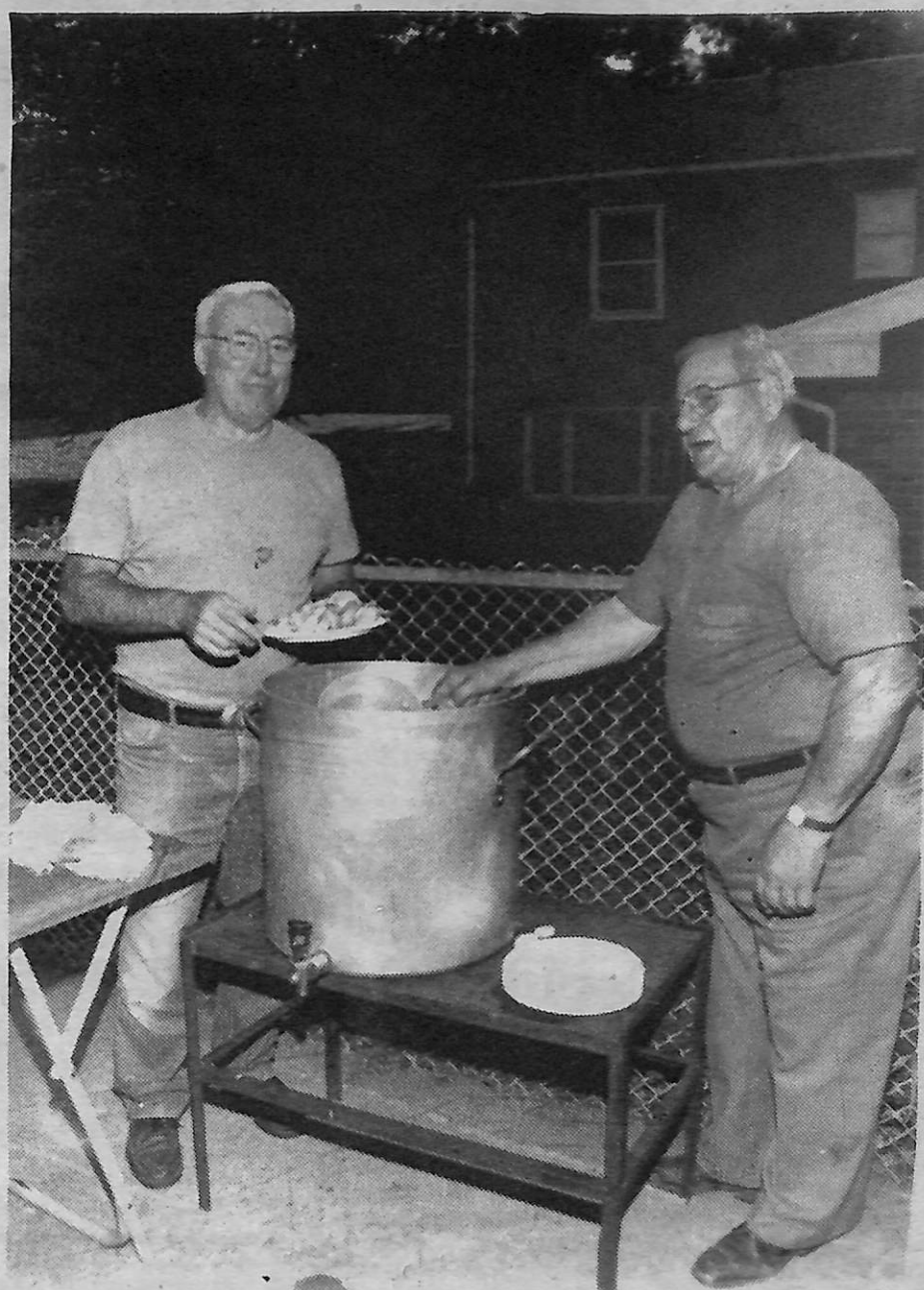
So save your appetite for next weekend—Saturday and Sunday, August 17th & 18th. The festivities run from 11am 'till 4pm each day.

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UNICO Holds Annual Steak/Clam Bake



MEMBERS OF AGAWAM UNICO gathered for the annual rite of summer - the Steak and Clam Bake held at the home of member Charlie Calabrese. IN PHOTO LEFT, the main man himself, Charlie Calabrese, enjoys his steamers; IN PHOTO RIGHT, member Ed Disco is guarding the pot to make sure he gets his share as member John Chriscola digs in. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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Vi Presz, a native of Agawam/Feeding Hills, is Vice Chairperson of the Agawam Council on Aging.

Since first visiting the Agawam Senior Center in 1991, she has wanted to give whatever she could for the privilege of using the Center by offering her services to help the town's elderly population.

She co-authored the "Information Guide to Seniors - A Directory of Elder Support Groups & Services." She is a Senior Center volunteer, a board member of "Friends," Chairperson of the COA Memorial Fund and Corporate Gift Committee, a member of the COA Public Relations Committee, and founder/president of ASGA (Agawam Senior Games Athletes).

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are continuing our monthly series on members of the Agawam Council on Aging. The August COA member being featured is Violet J. Presz.

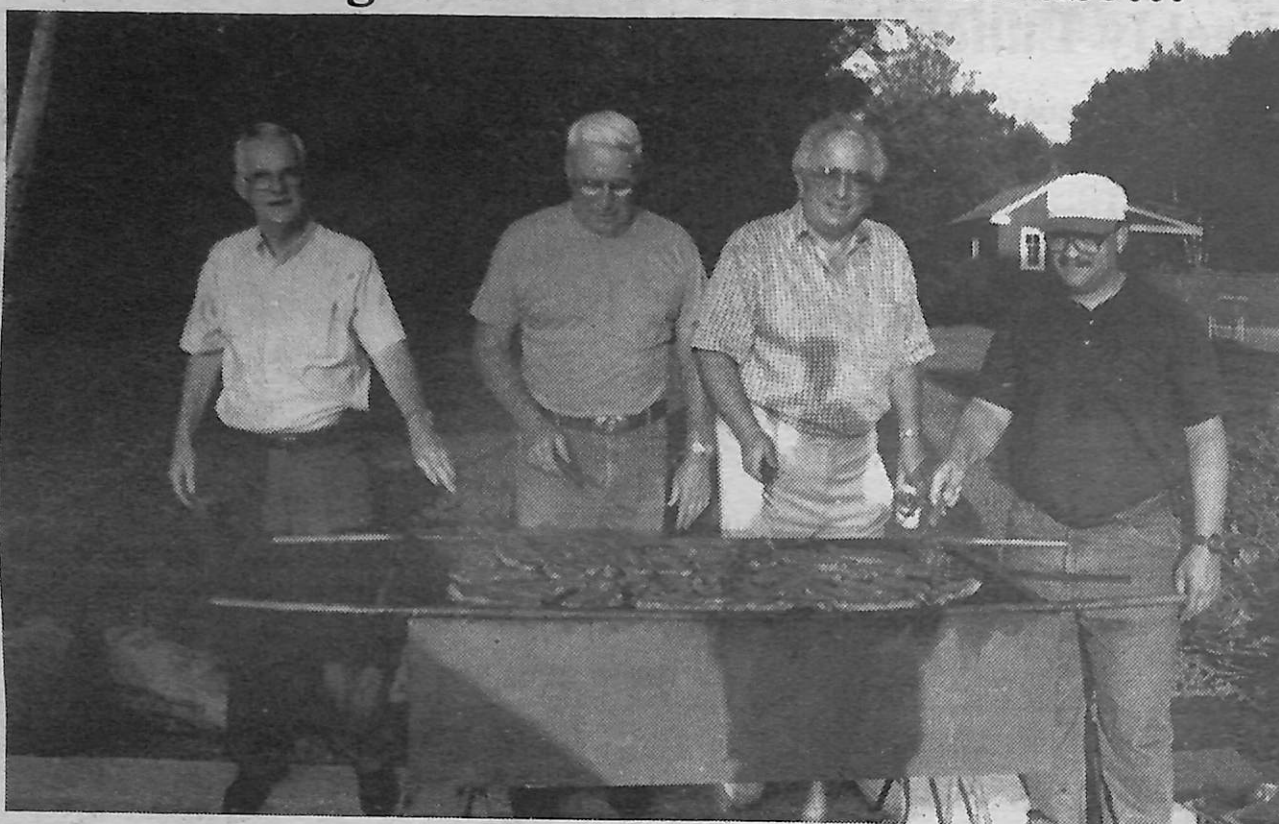


CHASE P. STUART

Chase P. Stuart Born On July 13th

Chase Patrick Stuart, the first child to David & Joann Stuart of Stafford Springs, Connecticut, was born on Saturday, July 13th.

Maternal grandparents are Ted & Carol Grimaldi of West Springfield. Paternal grandparent is Mary Jane Stuart of Agawam.



THE AGAWAM UNICO gathered for its annual summer steak/clam bake at the home of member Charlie Calabrese. While our staff photographer, Jack Devine (left) picks out the four steaks he will eat, UNICO members Ed Disco, Frank Lauriente, and Jim Willis show Jack their skill at the grill. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Individuals Being Sought To Assist Elderly With Getting Around Town

The Greater Springfield Senior Services Companion Program is seeking caring individuals to drive elderly people to medical appointments and grocery shopping.

Mileage reimbursement is offered. Interested people are asked to contact the Companion Volunteer Coordinator, Rosalie Walsh, at 781-8800.

According to Walsh, many of the elders in the program are homebound and do not have family

or other support systems. "Our volunteers provide a means of making their lives a little easier. In return, the volunteers come away feeling good, having helped someone who is truly in need and appreciative."

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Tuesday, August 13th: Cream of potato soup, chicken cutlet on a roll, lettuce and tomato, applesauce.

Wednesday, August 14th: Roast turkey, stuffing with gravy, pears, wheat bread, tapioca pudding.

Thursday, August 15th: Hamburger stew (potato, celery, onions, carrots), hot biscuit, pears.

Friday, August 16th: Cold plate (egg salad w/lettuce and tomatoes), potato salad, breadsticks, brownie.

(Menu subject to change without notice.)

Volunteers Sought For New England Center During 75th BIG E

Volunteers are sought to help set up or staff several special exhibits in the New England Center during this year's Big E, Sept. 13th-29th, including the 75th anniversary "Diamond Jubilee" exhibit highlighting the rich and colorful history of The Big E.

Also in the New England Center: "Hmong Artistry," an exhibit featuring the textile arts of the Hmong people from Southeast Asia and an exhibit showcasing the winners of CRAFTADVENTURE '96, Eastern States Exposition's annual contest for the fine fabric and fiber hand arts.

All volunteers receive free fair admission and parking. Contact Helen Bardwell at (413) 787-0158 weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Kudos For Agawam VFW Ladies Auxiliary



THE AGAWAM VFW Ladies Auxiliary was recently noted for being the first auxiliary in the entire state to have a membership of at least 100. Dorothy Gates (right) of the state membership committee stopped at the VFW recently to offer her congratulations to the Agawam Ladies Auxiliary. From left - Judith Broden, Dorothy Pioggia, Linda Sousa, Mary Kelly, and Mrs. Gates. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

'Music Under The Stars' Concert Slated For Agawam Senior Center On August 28th

The Agawam Senior Center will be sponsoring "Music Under the Stars," a FREE concert featuring the Ambiance Wind Quintet, on Wednesday, August 28th at 6:00 p.m.

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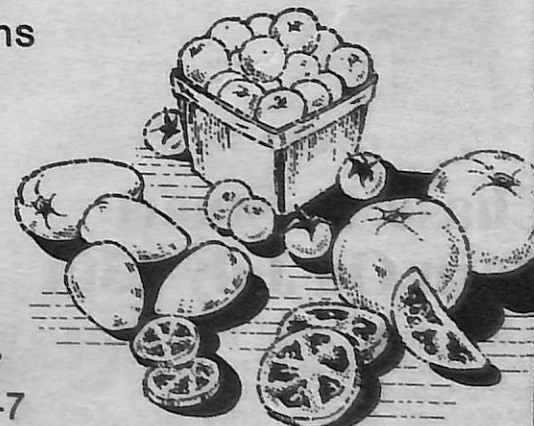
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Agawam COA Seeks Nomination For "Gallano Award"

The Agawam Council on Aging is currently accepting nominations for its annual Andrew C. Gallano Award. This award is given for meritorious and distinguished service to elders and is presented by the Agawam Council on Aging each year at the ACOA/Friends Annual Dinner in October.

The criteria for selection of the recipient will include (but not be limited to) the following:

- Active involvement on committees or in activities which are related to the issues/needs of the elderly citizens of Agawam.
- Advocates for the needs of the elderly citizens of Agawam.
- Supports issues related to the elderly citizens of Agawam.
- Demonstrates the above in a consistent manner over time.

To obtain a nomination form, contact the Agawam Senior Center at 786-0400, ext. 242. When you receive the form, please fill in the following information:

- Date
- Nominee's name
- Address
- In the space provided, please explain why this person should receive the Andrew Gallano Award for his/her work or service to the elders of Agawam. If you have submitted a name in some previous year, please do not hesitate to submit it for the 1996 nomination.

— Your name and phone number. (This information is not absolutely necessary, but if given will be kept confidential.)

When completed, please send this form to:

The Andrew Gallano Award Committee
c/o Agawam COA
68 Meadowbrook Manor
Agawam, MA 01001
Please return the form no later than September 20th.

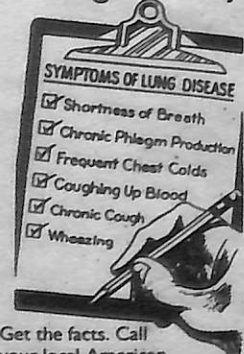
Annual Picnic Slated By Garden Club

The Agawam Garden Club will have its annual summer picnic at 6:30 p.m. on August 13th at the home of the first vice president, Barbara Pemberton in Westfield.

President Pauline Mortenson will preside at a business meeting. There will be a picnic supper and social time.

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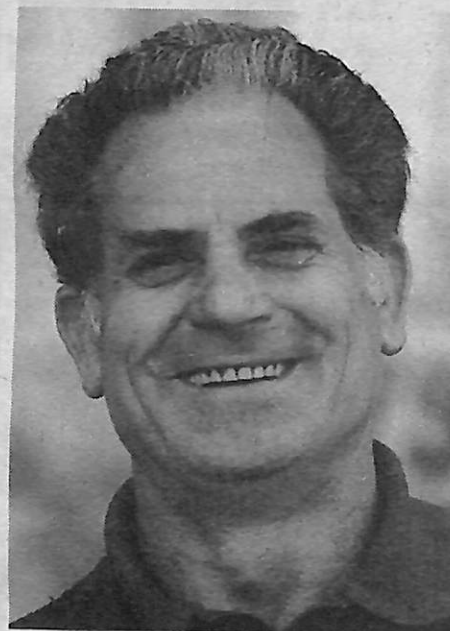


OVER AT COUNTRY ESTATES NURSING & REHAB facility, Frances Romanowicz recently celebrated her 101st birthday. From left - Nancy Drury, director of activities; Tanya Pimpare, CNA unit clerk; Frances Romanowicz, and Mary Roman, Frances' sister in-law.

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Agawam 4Hers At Annual Hampden County Fair



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM 4-H CLUB recently participated in the Annual Hampden County 4-H Fair on the grounds of THE BIG E. IN PHOTOS above, the club was well-represented in the equestrian events. Left - Sarah Bonini, 16, mounted on "Princeton," won first place in Fitting & Showmanship. IN PHOTO RIGHT, Sandy Rueli, 16, mounted on "Donatien," won first place in Pleasure Class. Looking on is Cheryl Perkins. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



AT THE ANNUAL HAMPDEN COUNTY 4-H FAIR, members of the Agawam 4-H group participated in the day's competition and fun on the grounds of THE BIG E. IN PHOTOS LEFT AND CENTER, Derrick and Katie Turnbull were showing off their cows; IN PHOTO RIGHT, group organizer Zoafia Demko looks over the many trophies being presented with Steven Zyra. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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Agawam UNICO Planning 35th Annual Chicken BBQ For Sunday, August 25th

Agawam UNICO National will hold its 34th annual Chicken Bar-B-Que on Sunday, August 25th at the Polish American Club Pavilion, 139 Southwick St., Feeding Hills.

This very popular event will begin at 12:00 noon and service will continue until 5:00 p.m. Donation for adults is \$6.50 and children under 12, \$4.50. Funds raised will go to benefit UNICO charities. UNICO is a non-profit organization which donates funds to local and national charities and people in need.

The organization of the event, cooking, and all

work is done by the membership and local volunteers. This year's co-chairmen are Dick DiLullo and Ron Lalancette.

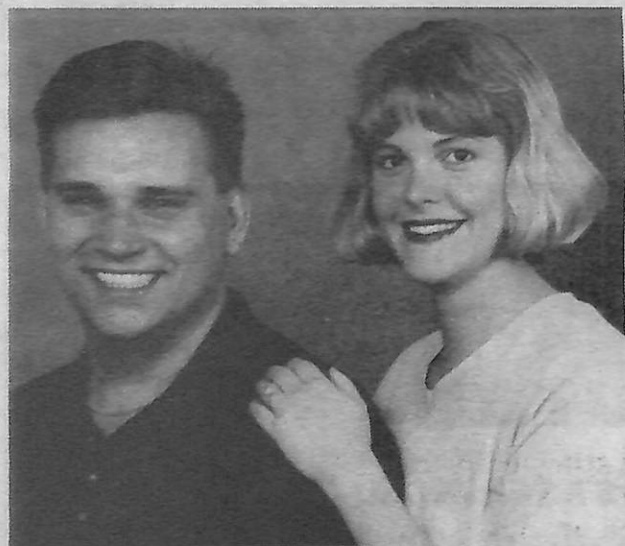
The Chicken Bar-B-Que event is considered the largest fundraiser for UNICO and has been a tradition in the Agawam/Feeding Hills community for 34 years. People from all over Western Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut have enjoyed an afternoon of friendship and good food. This year will be no exception—plenty of food and fun for all.

The UNICO Bar-B-Que chefs will be serving up a

bevy of delights such as one-half of bar-b-que chicken charcoal broiled in our famous bar-b-que pit. Of course, we baste with our award-winning chicken bar-b-que sauce. Included with this entrée are French fries, corn on the cob, salad, roll, and your choice of juice, coffee, or tea. As usual, the bar will be open for adult beverages.

Don't miss this wonderful afternoon. Bring family and friends and, of course, a big appetite.

Tickets may be purchased at the door or advanced sales through UNICO members and Bruno Maule at 789-0082.



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Andrea LaPiene To Wed Mr. Korza

The engagement of Edward P. Korza, III of East Windsor, Connecticut, formerly of Agawam, to Andrea LaPiene, also of East Windsor, is announced. A November 2, 1996 wedding is planned.

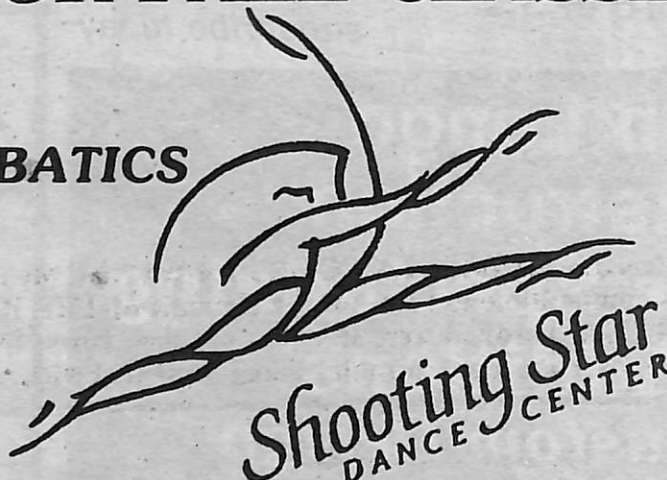
Mr. Korza, a 1985 graduate of Agawam High School, received his bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He is employed by Allstate Insurance in Farmington, Connecticut. He is the son of Nancy E. Thompson of Mansion Woods, Agawam, and Edward P. Korza, Jr. of Amherst.

Ms. LaPiene graduated from Granby Jr/Sr High School in Granby, Massachusetts in 1987. She is employed by Health South/Special Care Home Health Services. Ms. LaPiene is the daughter of Vicky Boynton of Windsor, Connecticut.

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News And Notes From F.H. Congregational

You are welcome to join with us at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, which is located at 21 N. Westfield Street in Feeding Hills.

Sunday School for adults begins at 9:00 a.m. Worship begins at 10:00 a.m.

Rev. Donaldson returns from vacation this week. His sermon is entitled "Better than Anyone Could Hope."

Children are welcome to attend church with their parents, leaving at the designated time for a planned activity; nursery care will be provided for the very young.

This Sunday will be Open Pantry Sunday. Bags of groceries and articles of clean, usable clothing are needed. Envelopes will be available for cash donations if you prefer. Any small electrical appliances, extra dishes, or pots and pans you may have but no longer need will be gladly accepted as well.

There will be an All Church Picnic and Game Day this Sunday, August 11th (rain date: August 25th) immediately following morning worship. Hot dogs, hamburgers, beverages, and ice cream will be provided.

Please bring a salad and your favorite outdoor game to share with others. Who needs to travel all the way to Atlanta for some great athletic competition? A picnic basket will be passed to collect money for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

Use the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to let us know you'll be joining in on the fun!

The final session of Vacation Bible School will be held at the church on Saturday, August 17th. Participants will enjoy an outdoor hike, sleep over at the church, and outdoor worship service on Sunday, August 18th.

Please use the sign-up sheets in Griswold Hall if you plan on enjoying the fun (or helping to provide it). If you have any questions, call Melinda, 789-1463, Chris, 789-9606, or speak to any member of the Board of Christian Education.

The Sunday School is in need of teachers and helpers who like to spend time having fun with young people. Please let any member of the Christian Ed Board how you will help. Both young and old are encouraged to volunteer. Teaching the love of God is for all ages!

On the calendar this week:

Saturday, August 10th: 1:00 p.m., Christian Ed. Rev. Donaldson's vacation ends

Sunday, August 11th: 9:00 a.m., Adult Sunday School; 10:00 a.m., Morning Worship - Open Pantry Sunday; 11:30 a.m., All Church Picnic; 5:30 p.m., Crossroads Christian Fellowship

Monday, August 12th: 7:30 p.m., Council

Tuesday, August 13th: *Informer* deadline; 7:00 p.m., A.A.; 7:30 p.m., Stewardship/Missions

Thursday, August 15th: 5:30 p.m., Volleyball

Saturday, August 17th: 6:00 p.m. VBS sleepover

Sacred Heart Youth Group Car Wash



YOUTH GROUP MEMBERS from Sacred Heart Church held a benefit car wash on July 20th in the church's parking lot. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Rev. Don Washington Guest Speaker At First Baptist Church

Reverend Don Washington will be the guest speaker this Sunday morning at the 9:30 a.m. service of worship at First Baptist Church.

Congregational responsive readings will be led by Joyce Geiger. Special music will be provided by Reba Gould and Racelle Monagon. If you are a visitor in town, plan to come worship with us.

Coffee and conversation will follow services in Davis Hall. Vacation Bible School will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in Worthington Hall.

All children ages three through the sixth grade are invited to attend. Games, crafts, and other activities are planned.

On our calendar this week:

Tuesday, August 13th: 1:15 p.m., EZ Does It Aerobics Class

Wednesday, August 14th: 7:15 a.m., Mid-Week Prayer Time; 7:00 p.m., Miniature Golf (All ages invited)

Thursday, August 15th: 1:15 p.m., EZ Does It Aerobics Class; 7:00 p.m., Evening Worship, Sanctuary

Rally Day in our church will be celebrated on Sunday, September 8th. Vignettes about Jesus' post-resurrection appearances will be presented. Mark you calendar now to attend!

Rev. Kurt Fuller To Begin 8th Year In Agawam On Aug. 18

This Sunday, August 11th is the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost. Summer Worship service is at 9:30 a.m.

Summer hours will continue through to Sunday, September 1st. This Sunday, Rev. Fuller's Sermon will be "I Love to Tell the Story," taken from Text: Psalm 105:1-6. The Children's Message will be "Story Time!"

Rev. Fuller will begin his eighth year of ministry in Agawam this Sunday.

The Summer Youth Church, "Kids For Character," continues following the "Children's Message." This program is a series devoted to instructing children in developing their character, values, and ethics.

The series will be adapted to support these themes from a Biblical perspective. This program will run through Sunday, August 25th. All children are welcome!

Next Sunday, August 18th, we will welcome The Reverend Kyle McGaw, former pastor of the Agawam United Methodist Church, as the Guest Preacher.

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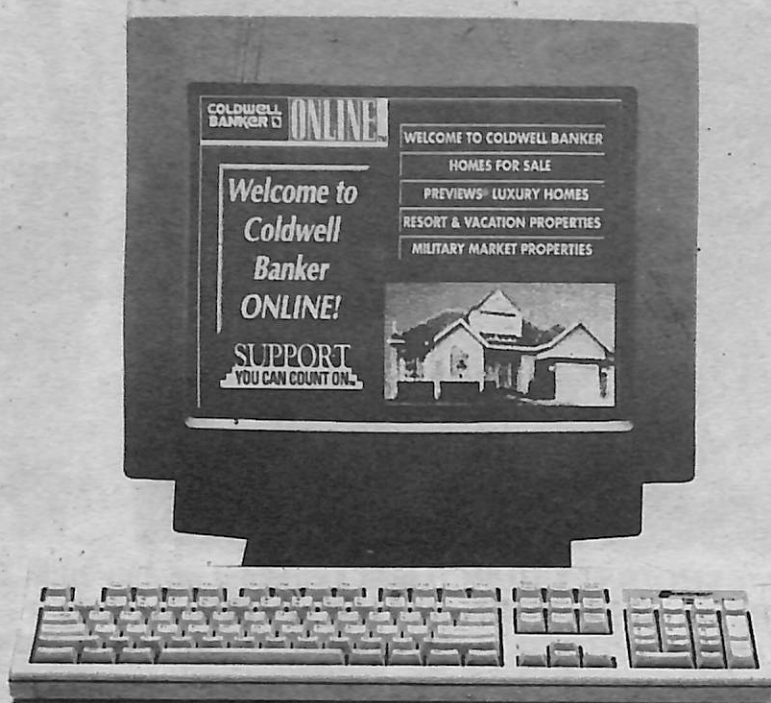


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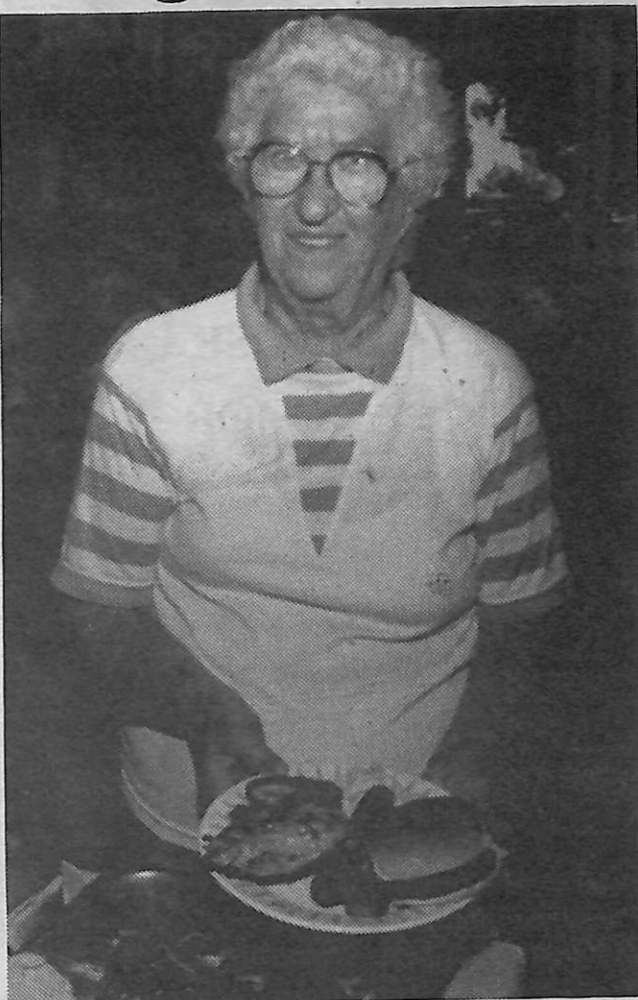
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Church News - continued...

Cookout At Agawam Methodist Church



THE AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH held a cookout on July 20th. From left - Familiar faces Bud Hardy and Percy Mickey were two of the head chefs; MIDDLE PHOTO - Frances Fearn goes through the line and fills her plate; IN PHOTO RIGHT, Debbie Telford was part of the kitchen help for the event. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Vendors Wanted For Tag/Craft Sale At Sacred Heart Church

Applications are now being accepted for the Annual Tag/Craft Sale at Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills on Saturday, September 7th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. It will be held in the parking lot of the church.

For an application or more information, call 786-4966 or 786-3384.

Summer Bible Class Continuing At Valley Community Church

Valley Community Church is continuing their adult Bible Class throughout the summer months.

A different character study each week has added enlightenment to all who are attending the class. And, although the study guides are giving the class an informal overview of each character,

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The Bible class is conducted under the direction of Pastor Steve Dennehy and are held on Sunday morning after the Worship Service.

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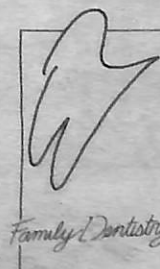
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Annual Parish Festival At Immaculate Church On Sat., August 17th

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We are still hoping that crafters, flea market, and other vendors will join the list of attractions and entertainments to fill our pretty, shaded lawns this August 17th. Spaces are only \$20. Information and sign-ups are available at 737-6444 and 739-2966. All in the community and surrounding area, and their friends, are very welcome to attend.

There will be so much activity, starting off with our annual parade leaving Veterans' Field at 11:00 and routing through town to the church grounds, with the Shriners, Knights of Columbus, U.S. service veterans, local leaders and other marchers, as well as floats, bands, and clowns taking part. At the parish lawns, many food, sale, and raffle booths will be set up for the old-fashioned pleasure of everyone. We extend our thanks ahead of time to the area businesses and individuals who have generously contributed to the success of our festival booths.

Our Children's Entertainment Co-Chairs, Donna Paquin and Leslie Eickelberg, have been diligently coordinating some wonderful volunteers to join in overseeing many attractions for all ages of children. This part of our festival has definitely expanded. To simplify purchase of 25 cent tickets (most attractions will require only one ticket each), there will be a ticket booth.

Children's games of skill have been generously donated for the day by Dr. Rene Bonneau of West Springfield. You might see him at the grounds having a great time with us. Prizes will be awarded to the young winners, thanks not only to business people but also to individuals. Between 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m., there will be sign-ups for such competitive games as sidewalk chalk art; hoola hoop and limbo contests; "soft discus" sock toss (even little ones can have harmless fun with this); a water balloon toss; and a three-legged race.

There is, of course, a booth for face painting and temporary tattoos. Westbank has very kindly loaned us their super popcorn cart. There will be freeze pops, too. And, wow, there will be a ture, penny-a-piece, penny candy store!

A special raffle section just for kids has many, many attractive items for winning, from videos, toys, eat-out certificates, and store certificates, to a Red Sox Starter jacket with cap! And the young person guessing closest to the number of gummy bears in a teddy jar wins just that!

Leslie and Donna haven't forgotten pony rides, and you can mingle with the clowns.

There will be a Children's Liturgy of the Word at 4:00 p.m. Mass. Afterward, ribbon awards will be given out to participants of the competitive games.

Father Michael, along with the proven capable evening entertainments chairpersons Mike Nigro and Pat & John Kaboray, will coordinate games of chance for adults beginning at 6:30 p.m.

SEE IMMACULATE CHURCH - Page 20...

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Agawam Baptist Youth In Mission



YOUTH AND LEADERS of the First Baptist Church in Agawam prepare to leave for their recent mission trip to Jay, New York. Front row - Adam Oyola, Bruce LeClair, Ashley Bessette, and Carmen Oyola. Back row - Rev. Rick Barnes, Jeff Zucco, Richard Rodriguez, Tim Deik (Christian Education director), Luis Oyola, Jennie Oyola, Donna Modzelewski, and Raquel Rodriguez.

Sacred Heart Church Lists Activities For Youth Group; Tag/Craft Sale Is Coming

Applications are now available for the renting of spaces for the Tag/Craft Sale to be held in the Sacred Heart Church parking lot on Saturday, September 7th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a rain date of Sunday, September 8th, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Either tag items or craft items can be sold (or both, if you want), but a separate section will be set up for each.

Rental fee is \$15. Applications can be obtained by calling Theresa at 786-4966 or Nancy at 786-3384.

They may also be picked up at the rectory during daytime business hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

August 13th: Movie Night. Cinema. 6:15 p.m. Cost \$10. RSVP by August 12, noon.

August 21st: All Night Party, Parish Center. 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. RSVP by August 20th, noon.

August 29th: Softball Game. Youth vs. Parents, Field, 7:00 p.m. RSVP by August 28th, noon.

SINGLES

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Agawam Catholic Singles Club will be held Wednesday, August 14th at St. John's Parish Center on Main Street, Agawam from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

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Not All Miracles
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Nearly every fisherman has a story about "the big one that got away." In the Bible, there is a big fish whose story is about "the man who got away." The man's name is Jonah, and he was a prophet of the Lord. The reason he wound up in the big fish is that Jonah was just like everybody else, in that sometimes he chose to disobey God.

God had given Jonah an important assignment. There was a certain city where the people were especially bad, and God sent Jonah to warn them that God would destroy their city if they did not change their ways, if they did not repent.

Jonah's problem was he hated the people of that city, and so Jonah tried to go in the opposite direction from which God had told him to go. After a series of mishaps, Jonah was swallowed alive by the big fish. A few days later, Jonah repented of his sin, and God caused the fish to deposit Jonah where he belonged. Jonah then warned the people of the city, who responded by repenting. God spared the city, as He wished to do all along.

Some people might think the Book of Jonah is as believable as other "fish stories" they have

heard. They might claim it is preposterous to think a man could survive after being swallowed by a large fish. Honestly, it is a little hard to imagine how that happened. However, the greater miracle in the Book of Jonah is that the people of the city responded to God's warning and repented. It is probably easier for God to get a giant fish to participate in a miracle than for Him to get people, even those who know Him well, to do so.

For example, there is another story about the sea in the Bible. There was a time that Jesus walked across the lake, to catch up with His disciples, who were in a boat. At first, the disciples were frightened, but were comforted as they recognized Jesus. The Apostle Peter even got out of the boat at Jesus' invitation and walked, for a few moments, on the water himself. But then he became afraid again and started to sink into the water. Peter had taken his eyes off Jesus and looked at the circumstances. Even after Peter had witnessed Jesus performing miracle after miracle, it was hard for him to believe that Jesus could keep him from sinking.

Miracles, by definition, are highly unusual events. We should not expect them to occur every day. However, people who want to discount or disregard the miracles in the Bible, because they challenge our preconceived notions of the way things should be, have a problem on their hands. Every book in the Bible which has any historical qualities in it contains at least one account of a miracle. Miracles are one of the ways in which God's divine glory is revealed to people.

Why should it be so hard for people to believe that God can perform miracles? After all, He made the world and all that is in it. A baker can alter his or her recipe to make the cake come out a little different if he or she so chooses. Why can't God? Isn't God at least as capable as a baker?

IMMACULATE CHURCH - from Page 19...

Refreshments will continue to be available, thanks to Louis Leo and energetic helpers. Everyone is encouraged to bring chairs or blankets and prepare to enjoy live music, song, and dancing from some fabulous groups well-known to this area. Highlights will be '80's and '90's music by Gene Basili and the Variety Boys; Peg Thompson's Golden Blue Ribbon Singers; "lady barbershop" by Take 2; the very lively Pioneer Valley Fiddlers; and the traditional clogging of the Irish Steppers! Everyone is invited to the dance floor, if you choose, or to "sit this one out" with refreshments and friends until 10:00 p.m. closing.

Immaculate Conception's Pastor, Michael Twohig, and the Social Club and volunteers hope all who attend will have a great time. Please accept our thanks in advance for helping our Restoration Fund, as our church building is nearly 120 years-old. We're praying for beautiful weather and lots of happy faces!

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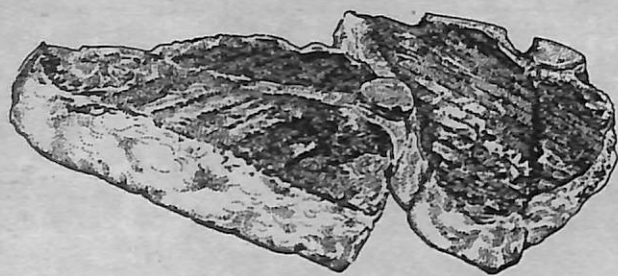
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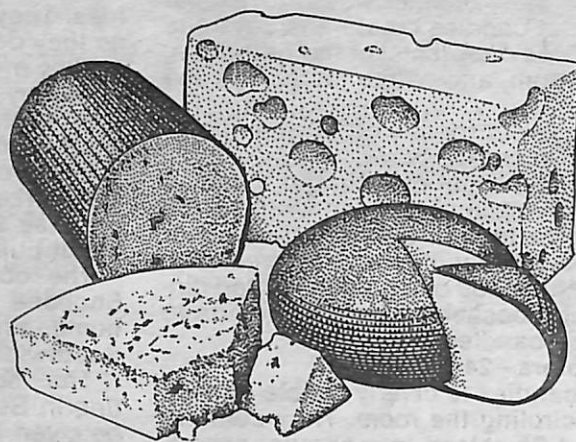
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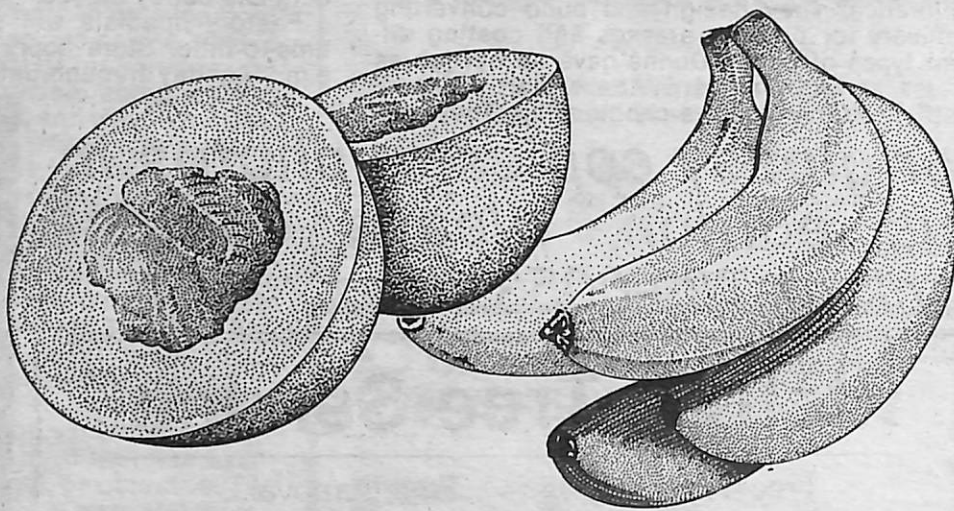
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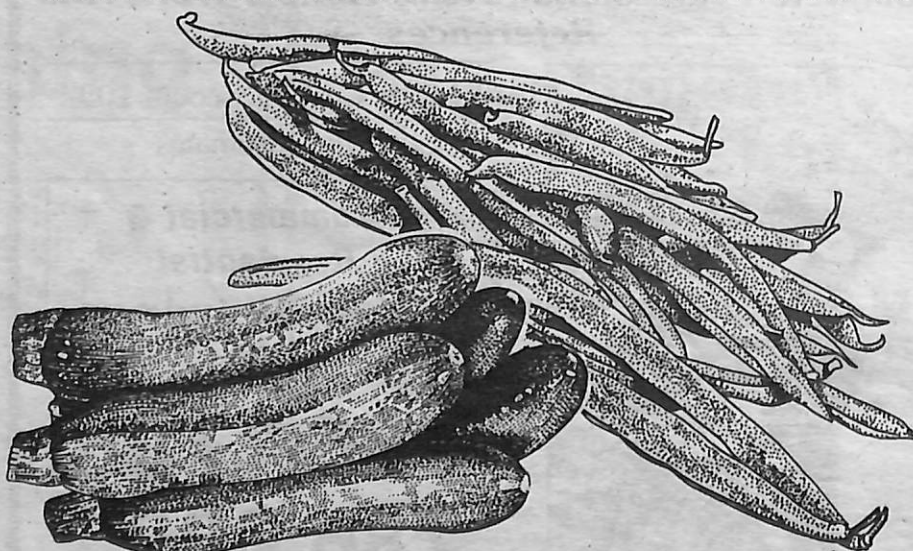
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Spotlight On Business

Hometown Candles Bringing Fresh Scents To Feeding Hills

by Peggy Shoemaker
Advertiser News Feature Writer

He always wanted to own his own business and she liked to burn candles, so they have opened their own candle store, **Hometown Candles** in the Galleria Shoppes, 360 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

The new shopowners are Donna & David Machietto and the store opened May 27th. Donna loves the mood that candles create and says she has them on the breakfast table, in the bathroom, bedroom, dining room, and coffee table. And she likes to burn them.

"Add a glow to every room with our candles," Donna joked in a recent interview.

The pleasant fragrance of scented candles greets the browser at the shop door, even before one has the time to take in the attractive decor and the wide variety of candle items offered. One is transported to the mood of a candle light dinner table or special occasions from weddings to birthdays at which candles are used.

24 Colors - 24 Fragrances

The variety of candles is clearly visible as they are displayed encircling the room. They come in 24 fragrances and 24 colors, in a popular assortment of containers. There are candles for all occasions and there will be special stock for each holiday season.

Like most of the Galleria Shoppes, **Hometown Candles** has an upper floor, or balcony, about one-third the size of the first floor. This area will be used for arts and crafts, starting in mid-August. Craftsmen and artists are being engaged on consignment to occupy this space. Of special interest will be arts and crafts that relate to candle and candle products.

The Machiettos are also planning to sell greeting cards, gift bags, and selected gifts. Among them will be candlesticks, candelabras, and novelty candle holders.

David is employed by Magnap Machinery, Inc. of Florence. They design and build converting machinery for printing presses and coating different types of paper. Donna gave up her job as hostess at McDonald's in the K-Mart Plaza of Westfield to manage the candle shop. They con-

sider **Hometown Candles** the business for their retirement years.

Since David always wanted to own a business, the couple considered different types of franchises, but felt the fees were too high and David would still not be his own boss. They also considered a small liquor store, but abandoned the idea. They bought and used a lot of candles and so they decided to make their own and sell them.

They make their candles in a warehouse garage in nearby Westfield. Here they melt the wax mixture, scent and color it, and pour it around the wicks into a variety of containers.

In March, they rented the Feeding Hills store and worked on wallpaper, trim, etc. until the opening May 27th. David designed the furniture and had it built.

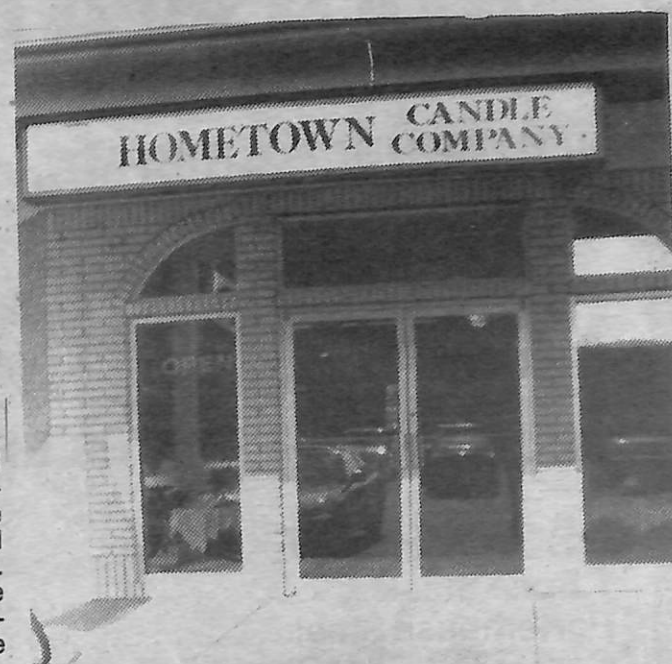
The couple liked the idea that the Galleria Shoppes are new, about five minutes from their home, and central to Feeding Hills, Agawam, Southwick, Westfield, and even Longmeadow.

The "Scent Of The Month" will be a feature starting in September and 35 percent discounts will be given in Spice Apple scented products. Spice Pumpkin will be the scent featured in October. There will also be special candles, holders, and displays for each holiday season as it comes around. They are already planning Halloween and Thanksgiving displays and specials.

Candles come in four different size jars. There are scented pillars in two sizes. They are round, tall, thick candles often in the middle of table centerpieces. Standard tapers are in two sizes, multi-colored, unscented and usually sold in pairs.

The tea rose collection comes in three sizes of glasses, including stemware, and tea roses are painted on the outside of the glass. Others are votive candles, tarts (used in potpourri burners), three-wick dish candles, and three-legged cutglass candy dishes.

Factory specials will also be available from time-to-time. Store hours are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday.



HOMETOWN CANDLES is located in the Galleria Shoppes at 360 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills. RELATED PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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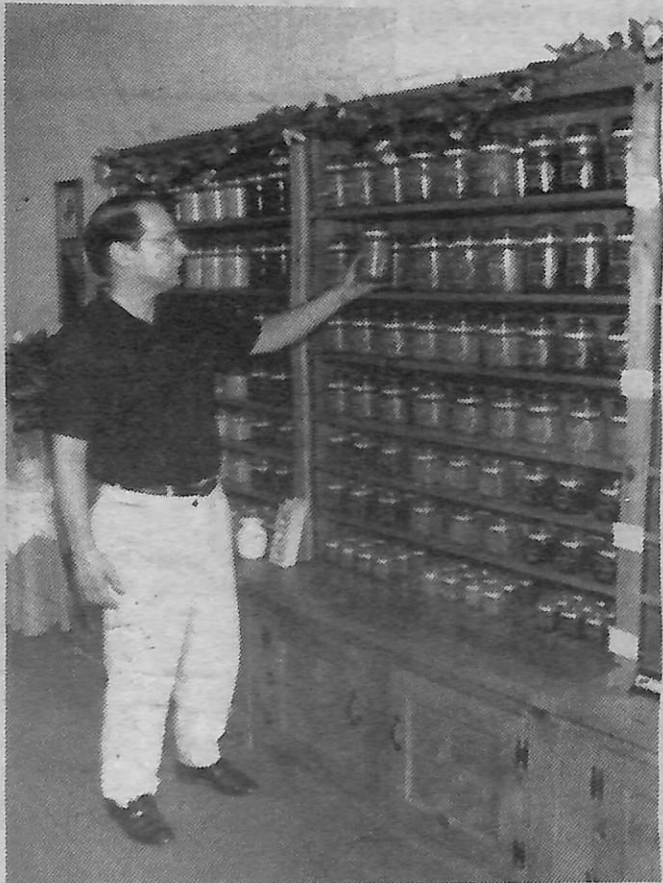
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Spotlight On Business - continued...

Fragrant Candles...



THE HUSBAND & WIFE TEAM of Donna & David Machietto have opened HOMETOWN CANDLES in the Galleria Shoppes in Feeding Hills. The shop is stocked with candles featuring 24 colors and 24 fragrances. RELATED STORY AND PHOTO ON PREVIOUS PAGE. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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Why Do Some Homes Sell Quicker Than Others?

Pricing is usually the number one determinant as to how short or long a home will be on the market before it sells. Obviously, the property must be priced competitively, but do not set the price based upon what you heard a neighbor received for their home.

A neighbor may have had an asking price of a certain amount and when you asked them how much did they sell their home for, the typical response is "We got what we wanted." This does not mean that they necessarily received their asking price. In addition, adjacent homes can be radically different. They both may have the same floor plans, but improvements, a more desirable location, and seemingly small variations can make a significant difference when it comes to price.

In determining the right price, one of the most important traits you need is objectivity. Homeowners have a tendency to be emotionally attached to their home, and because of their feelings, they oftentimes overestimate what their home is worth. Despite the attachment, try to be practical and logical. Make a competitive study of recent sales that are comparable to your home. Evaluate location, square footage, condition, and extras.

Remember that the value of your home can be impacted by developments that are not yet in place. Is there vacant land near by? If so, what businesses, or structures will be erected there in the future? Will it be a desirable addition to neighborhood? Check with a real estate professional to help you find out what development plans might be in the offering. He or she should also explain the elements that go into pricing and why. And ask the sales associate about a CMA (Comparative Market Analysis) and what it means.

Remember, too, that little things can make a big difference once the home has been priced. Cosmetics are crucial. Even though they do not influence value, they will help your home sell quicker. Spruce up the property as much as possible. A little paint, some new shrubbery, and making sure that the house is always neat and clean can make a tremendous difference. The most important impression is the first - and the first thing buyers see is the exterior. It should look good.

In today's market, there are buyers for homes priced right. A lack of "action" usually indicates that your property is one of those that has been priced incorrectly. Above all else, be objective. Try to look at your property as if you were the buyer viewing it. What do you like? Dislike? How does it compare to other properties in the area? Is it worth more or less than similar properties? Answer these questions objectively and you will not only be on the way to pricing your home correctly ... but to selling it, too.

Doin' A Little Jig...



COUNTRY ESTATES NURSING & REHAB facility at 1200 Suffield Street, Agawam, celebrated its second anniversary on July 28th with cookout and plenty of dancing. RELATED PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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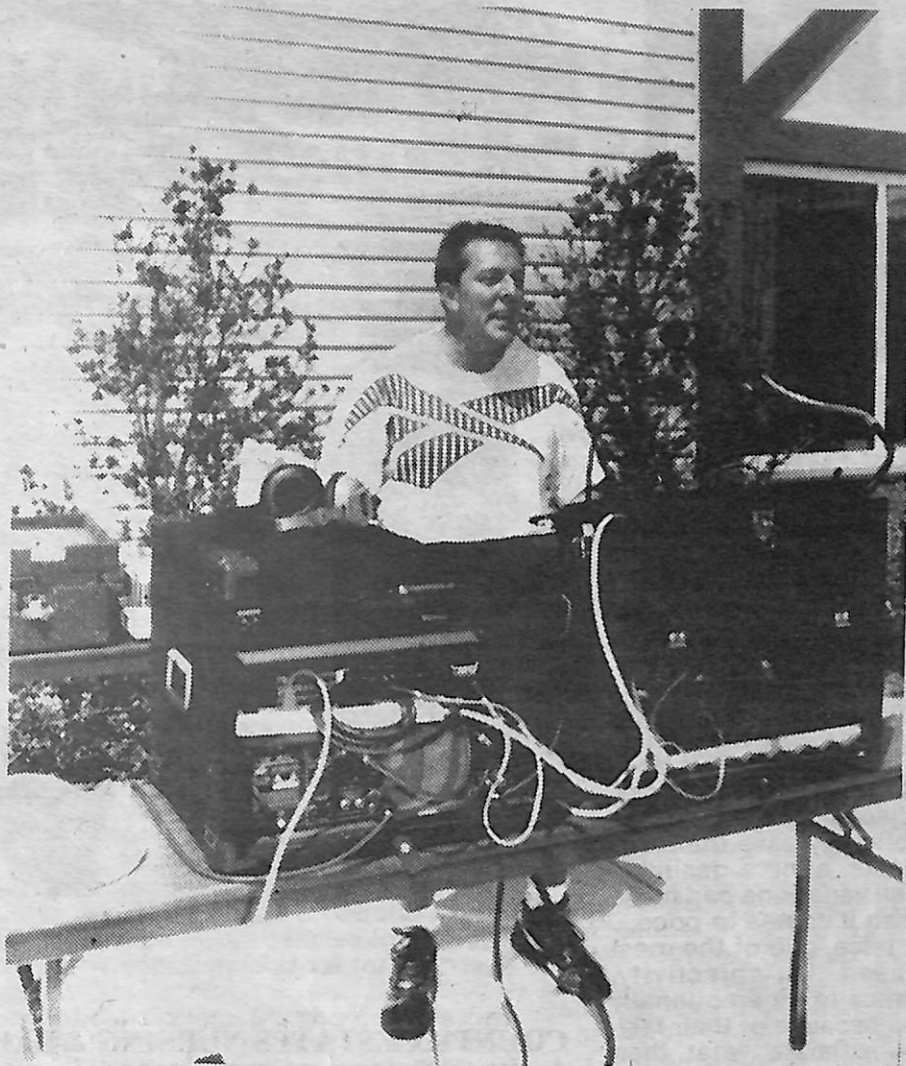
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COUNTRY ESTATES NURSING & REHAB facility at 1200 Suffield Street, Agawam, celebrated its second anniversary on Sunday, July 28th with a family cookout. IN PHOTO LEFT, disc jockey Tom Hodgins provided the tunes while (photo right) Gail Marrett, Rose Dean, and Gary Newcomb were part of the large crowd who attended the gala. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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- **Sitting** - this is a stressful activity for the neck. Sit with feet flat on the floor and sit firmly against the back of the chair to support the low back and neck.

- **Driving** - again, sit firmly against the back of the seat. A rolled-up towel or low back pillow helps support the lower back.

- **Standing or walking** - stand "tall" with your head level. If you are standing for long periods of time, put one foot on a low stool and occasionally change feet to help keep pressure off the spine.

- **Sleeping and resting** - sleep on a firm mattress on your side with the knees bent or on your back with a pillow under your knees. Sleep with only one pillow under your head.

Sometimes just making a minor change in daily activities can make a major difference in your health. Take care of your spine, it's the only one you've got!

Dr. Nelson maintains an office at Hampden County Chiropractic, 850 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. She is available to answer questions on Monday and Wednesday from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at 786-4820.

New Mother's Support At Providence Hosp. On August 14th & 18th

The Center for Women's Health at Providence Hospital offers a free New Mother's Support Group for moms with babies up to six months old.

The group will meet August 14th and 28th, 10:30-11:30 a.m., in Room 5, third floor/west wing of the hospital.

Judy Hatch, R.N., I.B.L.C., facilitates the meetings, which provide information on topics including newborn care, infant feeding, parenting, and postpartum concerns. Mothers are encouraged to bring their babies.

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The hearing van's audiology equipment is operated by nationally certified audiologists from the Weldon Hearing Center at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

For a reservation, call the Agawam Senior Center at 786-0400, ext. 242.

Prenatal Exercise At Providence Hosp. Every Wednesday

The Center for Women's Health at Providence Hospital offers prenatal exercise classes Wednesdays, 5:45-6:45 p.m., in Room 2, third floor west.

The classes feature the "20-Minute Prenatal Exercise System" developed by KUR Health Systems. Physiological changes experienced during pregnancy, and the role exercise plays, are discussed and illustrated. Instruction is provided for all exercises; participants also receive a video for home use.

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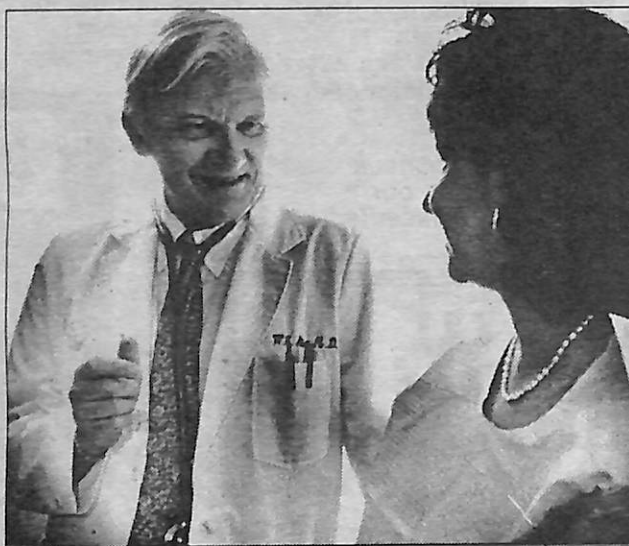
The Chiropractor uses spinal adjustments, nutrition, exercises, and other natural methods of restoring health. The older person must stay alert and remain productive. Nothing is more rewarding than helping an older person regain greater range of motion and freedom of movement, and reducing the need for medications.

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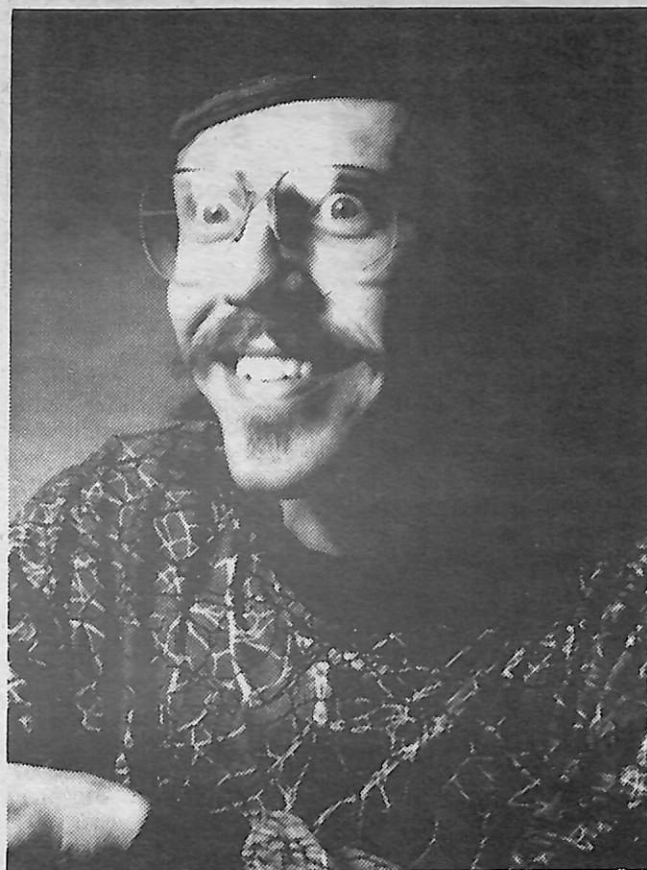
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Westfield Theatre Plans Auditions

The Westfield Theatre Group, a department of the Westfield Woman's Club, will be holding auditions for its first Christmas children's musical from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, August 12th, 13th, and 14th.

The auditions will be held at the Westfield Woman's Club, 28 Court Street, Westfield.

The show is called *The Holiday Spirit* and is being directed by Kathi Palmer, with musical accompaniment by Shelley Haber. Performances for this show will be December 13 and 14, 1996.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathi Palmer at 568-9790 or Shelley Haber at 568-5328.

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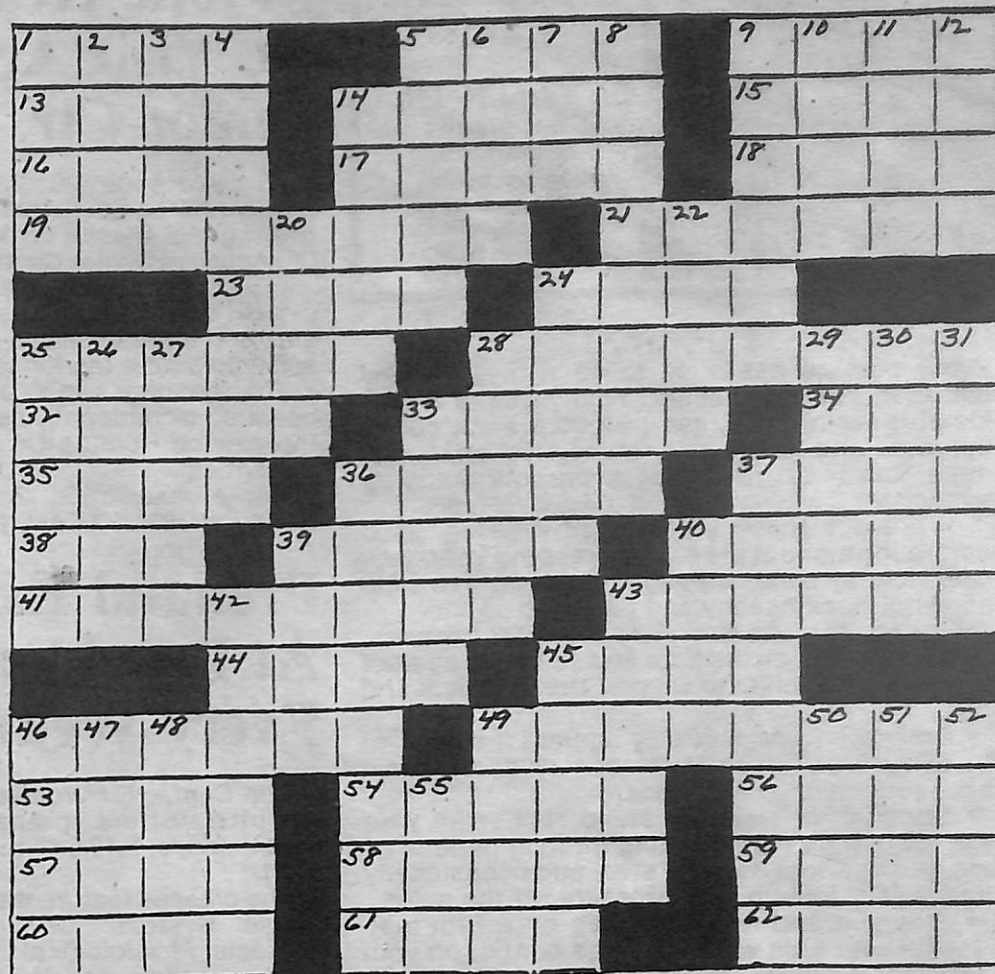
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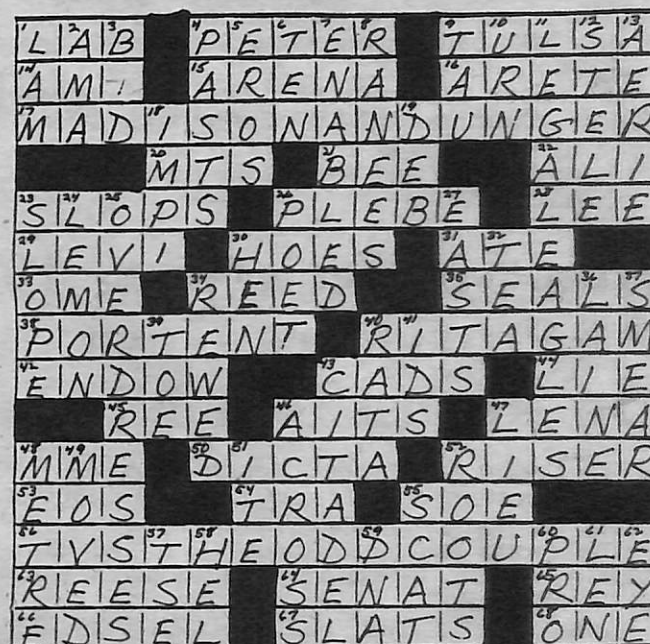
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All kindergarten students, **accompanied by a parent or caregiver**, are encouraged to attend.

A special run of the "Let's Get Acquainted" school bus provided by School Time Transportation, Inc. will transport bus-riding kindergarten students and one parent/caregiver to school on the day of the program.

(Please note: Due to limited seating, siblings will not be permitted to ride the bus.)

Kindergarteners and their parent/caregivers will be welcomed by school principals. Teachers, PTO members, and parent volunteers will be on hand to assist with the presentation.

The "Let's Get Acquainted" kindergarten orientation program will be held in the morning at these locations on the following dates:

Benjamin J. Phelps School: Wednesday, August 28th

James Clark School: Wednesday, August 28th

Robinson Park School: Thursday, August 29th

Clifford M. Granger School: Thursday, August 29th

Kindergarten parents will receive further details by mail. Mark your calendars now to reserve these dates, and "Let's Get Acquainted."

Baystate Medical Awards Scholarships To Town Residents

The Baystate Medical Center Auxiliary has awarded \$46,000 in scholarships to 46 students pursuing an education in health career fields.

Among the 46 students each receiving \$1,000 tuition assistance during the 1996-1997 academic year are:

From Agawam: Joseph W. Bradley, Andover Newton School of Ministry; Nicole Sawyer, Framingham State College.

From Feeding Hills: Kimberly M. Graveline, Fitchburg State College; Joanne L. Siano, Baystate Medical Center School of Nursing; Irene Spring, Baystate Medical Center School of Nursing.

AHS Guidance Office To Be Open In August

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AT THE RECENT FIELD DAY for campers at the town's summer camp at Perry Lane Park, Stephanie W. and Victoria Littlefield (right) participated in some of the fun events held at Harmon Smith Field on July 24th. RELATED PHOTOS ON FRONT PAGE. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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More Kudos For All...

Phelps Brownie Troop 587 wishes to extend KUDOS to Alex Medura for all your fabulous organization with our cookie sales! KUDOS to Kathy Morace for your endless patience and help at every meeting you could attend!

Blessings to the Agawam Congregational Church for allowing us to meet freely at your church every week. KUDOS also to Debbie Frazzetta for being my backbone all year through—you're a Godsend! (Love, Denise)

Lastly, KUDOS to you, Denise Moffatt, for a TERRIFIC first year Leading our Troop. I never had any doubts you'd be Great at it (You're a natural!) I'm looking forward to the Fall and the start of another year filled with surprises and special events!! (Love, Your Co-Leader, Debbie!)

KUDOS go out from Junior Troop 556 to Heritage Hall Nursing Home for letting us use their premises for our meetings this year. Special KUDOS to Laurie Albano for her continued support as our Troop Co-Leader.

KUDOS also to all my Moms who have helped with various fieldtrips, etc. Last, but not least, KUDOS to the girls for making some wonderful centerpieces for the Agawam Congregational Church's Friendship Supper.

KUDOS to the girls in Robinson Park Troop 555 for being such wonderful Junior Girl Scouts. We had lots of fun with all of you. (From your Troop Leaders, Nancy Foley & Joan Couture)

KUDOS to our terrific Brownies from Granger Troop 585. KUDOS also to Judy Lavin for being a GREAT Cookie Mom and helping with the meetings. KUDOS to all the other Moms who helped with our fieldtrips and meetings. We had a fun year!!

A special KUDOS to the first-year Brownie Scouts from Phelps Troop 580 and the helping Moms for a fun-filled year of scouting. Best wishes for a wonderful Summer. See you all in September. (Your Leader, Pat Wolos)

Robinson Park Brownie Troop 545 says KUDOS to Suzanne Maynard our Cookie Mom for a job well done. Also, special KUDOS to Debbie Ejasi who came to a meeting and did a presentation on her family's trip to Africa. (Leader Sue Therrien and Co-Leader Janet Storozuk)

Phelps Brownie Troop 557 send out KUDOS to all the Moms who helped this year. Many KUDOS to our Cookie Mom, Mary-Ellen Lewis.

KUDOS to the girls from Clark Daisy Troop 566. Our year was filled with fun and watching you grow was enchanting! KUDOS to Shirley Stelma, the best Co-Leader anyone could ask for. (Love, Your Leader)

KUDOS go out to the girls in Robinson Park Daisy Troop 538 for a fun-filled year. Have a terrific Summer and we'll see you in the Fall. (From your Troop Leaders, Laurie Snow & Pamela Graves)

KUDOS to Robinson Park Daisy Troop 559 girls for their eager participation in all Troop activities. KUDOS also to Sacred Heart Church for allowing us to use the hall. Finally, KUDOS to all the Moms and Dads for helping when needed.

Special KUDOS to Margaret Bilodeau, Agawam Unit Manager, for her continued dedication and commitment to all of the troops. You do much "behind-the-scenes" organizing and without you, Girl Scouting in our Unit wouldn't be such a huge success!! (All the Leaders & Co-Leaders)

MANY KUDOS to the Agawam Advertiser for all of the splendid articles and pictures that you so graciously put into your paper over the past year. All the Agawam Troops appreciate your commitment to the Girls Scouts of this community!!

Our Annual BACK TO SCHOOL edition will be published on Thursday, August 29th. To subscribe, please call us at 786-7747. Thanks.

A Golfing We Will Go...



CAMPERS AT THE TOWN'S Special Needs Summer Camp, Camp Rainbow, enjoyed some golf instruction on August 2nd. IN PHOTO LEFT - Maria Graziano receives some tips from Annie Bianca; IN PHOTO RIGHT, Brian Boglish finds himself in the rough. Advertiser News photos

by Jack Devine.

Christopher David Roy Receives Degree From Rensselaer Institute

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute has announced that Christopher David Roy of 34 Forge Street, Feeding Hills was awarded a bachelor of science degree in environmental engineering at ceremonies held in May 1996.

Founded in 1824, Rensselaer is the nation's oldest degreegranting technological university. "U.S. News & World Report" has consistently ranked Rensselaer among the top 50 "national" universities in the country, and has consistently listed its graduate engineering program among the top 15.

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Kim Trudel Named To Dean's List At Stonehill College

Kim Trudel of Agawam has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 1996 semester at Stonehill College in No. Easton, Mass.

Stonehill College, a four-year liberal arts institution, was founded in 1948. The College is located on a 375-acre campus in historic North Easton, Mass.

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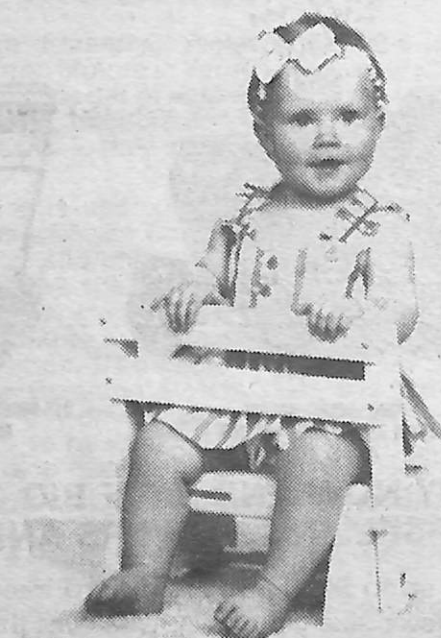
Andrea L. Quick Receives Honors At Worcester State

Andrea L. Quick of 84 Line Street, Feeding Hills, was named to the Academic Honors List for the 1996 Spring Semester at Worcester State College.

The Academic Honors List is comprised of students whose grade point average is 3.5 for the semester.

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Sports

National Event Held In Houston...

McGeoghan 5th At Jr. Olympics

The 1996 Olympics are now neatly tucked away in the record books. Those in the world of track and field have begun to focus their attention on the 2000 games in Sydney, Australia. Old stars will fade away. New stars will appear. Some just might end up shining brightly on future Olympic stages.

One kid who just might have a shot is Agawam's Phil McGeoghan. The 6'3" 17 year-old (soon to be senior at Agawam High School) is a three sport star for the Brownies. In the fall, he's a wide receiver on the football team. Winter finds him on the basketball hardwood. He's a triple jump, high jump, and 200 meter triple threat man on the track team when spring rolls around.

While he excels at all those sports, track and field is his real labor of love. To that end, Phil has been attending meets on the national level this summer. Earlier this year, he journeyed to the National Scholastic Track and Field Meet in Raleigh, North Carolina. While there, he took eighth place in the high jump. He has just returned from the prestigious USA Track and Field Junior Olympics National Championships, held July 23rd to July 28th in Houston, Texas.

It was held at the University of Houston. Phil was up against some of the top junior Olympians in the country. "There were about 6,000 athletes there, in every age group. It's the biggest competition I've been to so far," Phil noted.

He qualified in the high and triple jump, but decided to concentrate exclusively on scaling the bar. "I thought my triple jump distance was okay. But high jumping is my real strength, so I went

with what got me there," he smiled. It wasn't a bad decision. Phil is the current Western Mass., State, and New England champion in that event. He also has a Bay State Games crown (6'8½") thrown in for good measure.

Finishes Fifth

Last year at the same meet, Phil finished eighth. He was looking to do better. And he did, finishing fifth. "We had 41 athletes entered in the high jump. Everyone had three attempts at the various heights," Phil said.

He easily cleared the bar at 5'10". Then he passed at 6'4". "I can nail that height without too much trouble. I wanted to save my energy for the higher numbers," he explained.

Under the watchful eye of his coach, Quran Hodges, who is the coach of the Cathedral High girls' track team, Phil soared over the bar at the 6'6" and 6'8" settings.

Then the bar ascended to 6'10". Phil, however, couldn't quite make it that high. "I went out at 6'10". I really don't know why. My approach and mechanics were good. I was focused."

As anyone who has ever been down south in the summer knows, it is hot. Phil, who doesn't make excuses, didn't feel the heat affected him. And he also noted that the facilities at the University weren't quite as good as they'd been in North Carolina, where he got to jump at night, which is something he likes. "That's just the way it goes, sometimes," he said.

The winning jump was seven feet, compliments of a kid from Indiana named Todd Byerlin. (Another Olympic hopeful?)

He did like the surface there for the high jump competition. "It's called Super Mondo - X. It's great for traction and it's a little elastic, so you can start off with a good initial leap," Phil explained. Then he laughed, "I wish they had that surface at Agawam High."

More Intense

Phil admitted that meets such as the Junior Olympics and Scholastic Nationals are more intense for him than the events he's used to in these parts. "No matter where I am, I'm always psyched and focused when I jump. But there just seems to be more incentive to nail a personal best when you're around so many outstanding athletes." Phil's personal best is 6'9" in competition. He's scaled 6'10" in practice.

His talents haven't gone unnoticed. Already there are colleges showing interest. "I hope to go to a school that is strong in track and field, because that's where my athletic interests really lie, and where I think I'll have the best chance of doing well," Phil reasoned.

There is one small irony regarding how he got into track. If a rotator cuff injury he suffered in baseball as a freshman pitcher hadn't happened, most likely he'd still be on the mound, rather than high jumping.

Phil will be only 21 years-old when the year 2000 rolls around. That's a nice age for an Olympic high jumper. With more hard work and a little luck, the Feeding Hills native can continue to dream about going down under.

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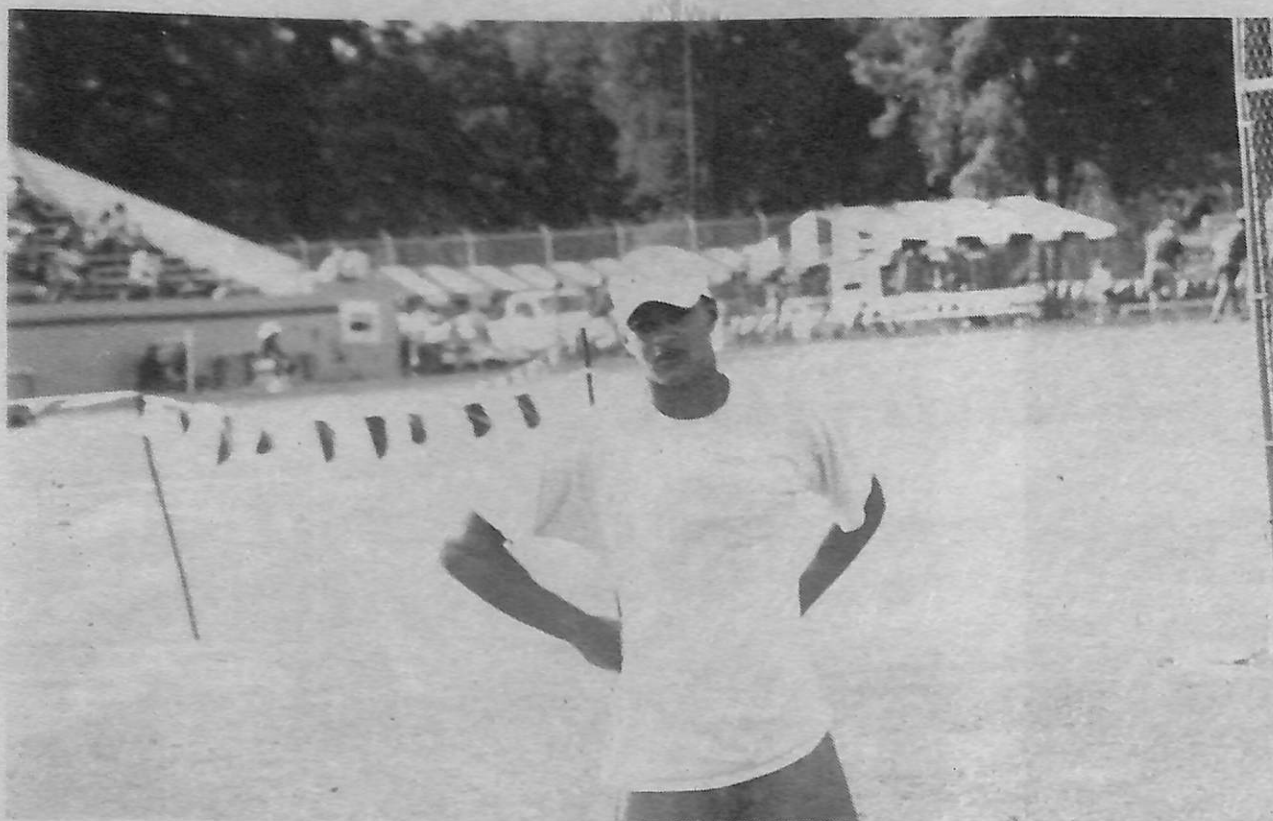
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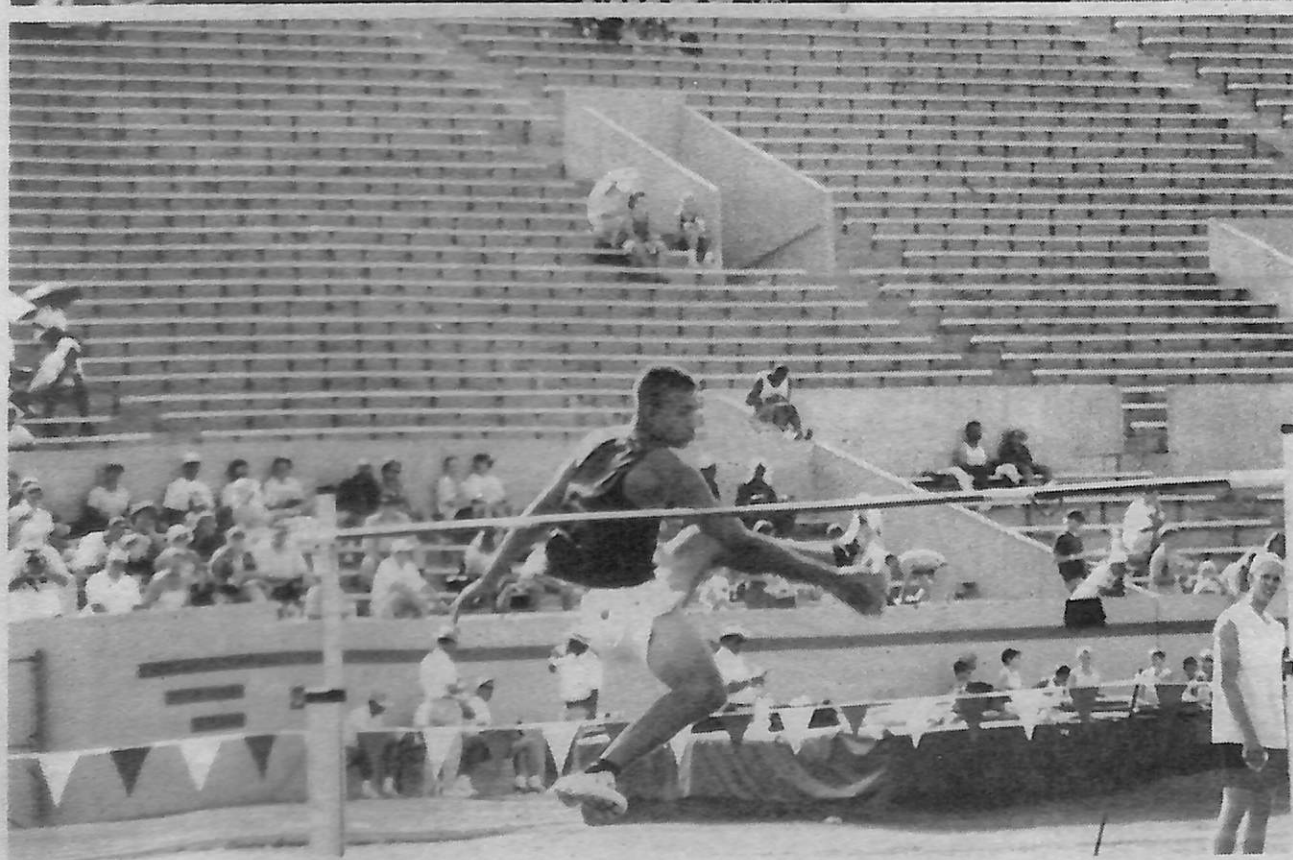


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McGeoghan 5th At Junior Olympics



AGAWAM HIGH SENIOR PHIL MCGEOGHAN recently attended the National Junior Olympics in Houston. He finished fifth out of a field of 41 entrants with a jump of 6'8". McGeoghan will be on the football field for Agawam High School in September. He is the current Western Mass., state, and New England high jump champion and also won the Bay State Games in that event earlier this summer. He also competed in the National Scholastic Track and Field Meet in Raleigh, North Carolina earlier this summer where he placed eighth. **RELATED STORY ON PREVIOUS PAGE.**



First National Bank Sponsoring Annual Suffield Road Race

Suffield: The Suffield Parks and Recreation Department and this year's new co-sponsor, The First National Bank of Suffield, will be offering the 1996 17th Annual 10K Road Race and 2.3 mile Fun Run.

This event will be held on Saturday, September 7th (rain or shine) at Suffield High School, 350 Mountain Road, Suffield. The 10K Road Race will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the 2.3 mile Fun Run will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Prizes will be awarded to men and women in their respective age division. A \$100 gift certificate to "The Run In" of Rocky Hill will be awarded to the first male and female finishers.

Applications are available at the Suffield Parks and Recreation Department, 61 Ffyer Place, and The First National Bank of Suffield, 30 Bridge Street, or register the day of the race between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. at the Suffield High School.

Long sleeve tee-shirts will be given to the first 100 registered. Registration fee is \$12 in advance and \$14 on the day of the race. Checks should be made out to the Suffield Parks and Recreation Department.

DARE Golf Tourney Set For August 14th

Agawam D.A.R.E. Officer Donald Gallerani has announced that the Eighth Annual Agawam Police D.A.R.E. Golf Tournament will be held Wednesday, August 14th, at Oak Ridge Golf Course in Feeding Hills, with a shotgun start at 12:00 noon.

The D.A.R.E. Program is an important and successful anti-drug and violence program conducted by the Agawam Police Department and the Agawam Public Schools. The program is geared toward school children at the elementary and middle school age. It intelligently teaches them to say "NO" to drugs and violence. The D.A.R.E. Program in Agawam is funded solely by private donations and this golf tournament.

The price per golfer is \$90, which includes cart, green fees, lunch and refreshments on the course, longest drive and closest to the pin contest, prizes, and prime rib dinner after golf. If you will not be able to golf, but would like to attend dinner, the cost is \$35.

The committee is also looking for businesses to sponsor holes. Sponsorship of a hole is \$100 and a sign noting you as a sponsor will be provided and placed in a prominent spot on the golf course.

"D.A.R.E. is a powerful tool in the war against drugs and violence here in Agawam," stated Officer Gallerani. "We hope you will help us keep this program going because it is important to our children's future."

For more information, call Officer Gallerani at 786-4768.

Riverside Speedway Helping Red Cross With Blood Drive

Tom Scranton, President of the acclaimed Scranton Motors in Vernon, CT, has always been a huge supporter of auto racing at Riverside Speedway. Still, the Scranton family are more than just race fans — they are people who care about people.

So it is appropriate that Tom Scranton joins forces with the Connecticut Red Cross in a very special and unique blood drive. This event, supported by the Riverside Speedway drivers and race fans, will take place on Monday, August 12th, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Scranton Motors, Route 83, Vernon, CT (next to Shaw's Supermarket).

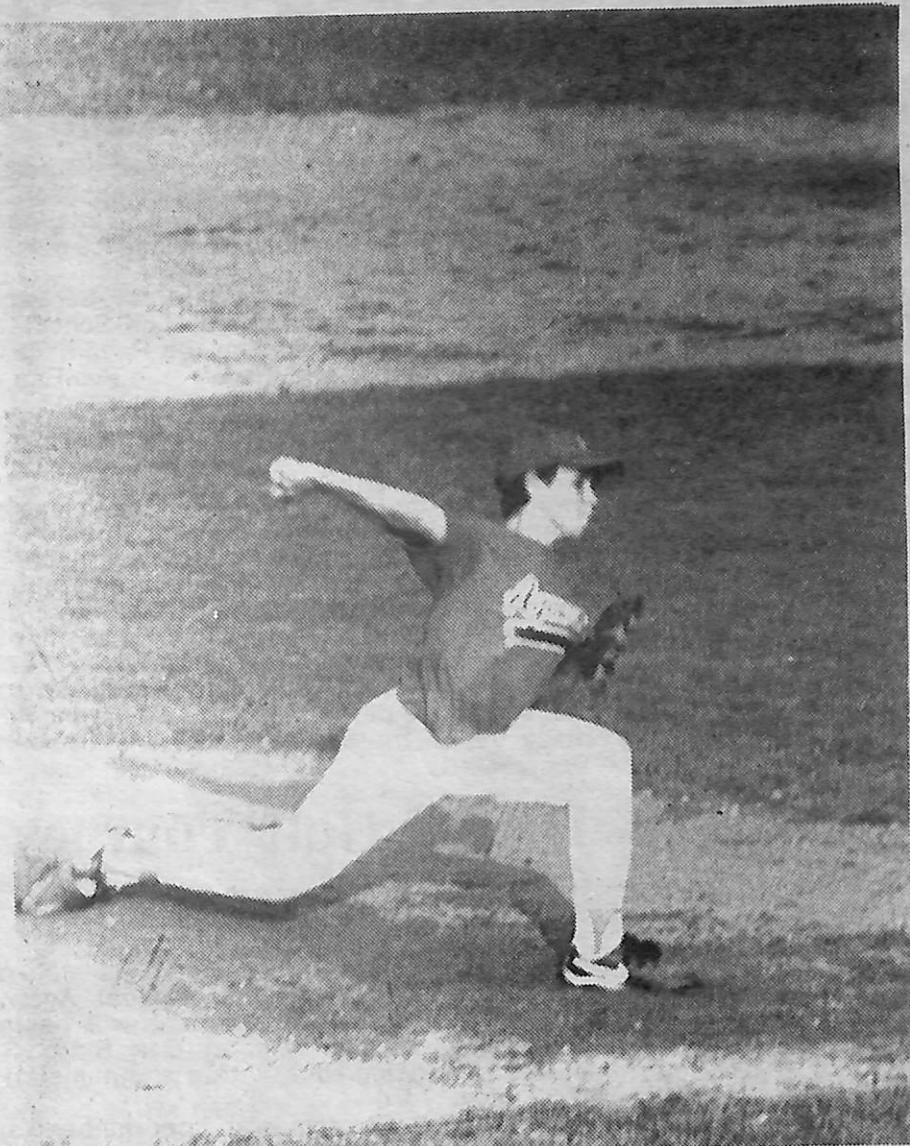
The Scranton Motors staff and the Riverside Speedway drivers, owners, and race fans will join forces to raise blood for this worthy cause. The goal is to have 200 people give blood.

Each race fan that visits Scranton and gives blood will receive two VIP tickets to the races for only a Saturday and Sunday regular event. (Note: the Busch Grand National Race is *not* included.) Some will receive amusement park passes, free gifts, and more.

To be eligible, you must give blood between 1:00 and 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 12th, only at Scranton Motors in Vernon, CT. For directions, call (203) 872-9145 and ask for details.

Remember, on Monday, August 12th, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m., give blood with the Riverside racers at Scranton Motors, Rte. 83, Vernon, CT. For more information, call (203) 872-9145.

Three Cheers For Agawam Little League



AN ALL-STAR TEAM representing Agawam Little League Baseball recently competed in a regional tournament and advanced through several rounds of competition, including a two-game sweep over previously undefeated Longmeadow in the round robin tourney. The team was eliminated in the next round. Still, the team had a great tournament thanks in part to the pitching of Mike Cook (photo left) and the coaching of Jeff Carmody and Pete Clark. The player in the photo with the two coaches is Shawn Mercadante. **RELATED PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE.** Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Agawam's Fenton's Athletics Take Out Ludlow In Men's Baseball Playoffs

The Fenton's Athletics (Agawam) eliminated the Arnold's Bakery Braves (Ludlow) in the semifinal round of the Western Massachusetts Men's Baseball League Playoffs, two games to none. The doubleheader sweep was played at Shea Field in Agawam on Sunday, August 4th.

In the first game, Fenton's scored six runs in the bottom of the first, and cruised to a 10-5 victory. Pat Collins was the winning pitcher and Lennie Krogh picked up the save with two innings of shutout relief. The hitting began early for Fenton's as John Cirillo, John Carenzo, Bob Gurski, Pat Collins, and Brian Boski each had first inning safeties.

Arnold's pitcher, Paul Taylor, silenced the Fen-

ton's bats by setting down eight in a row, but in the fourth inning, Fenton's scored three more times. RBI hits were delivered by Steve Pasquariello and John Cirillo.

Arnold's battled back in the sixth inning. Two singles and an error loaded the bases for Arnold's. Clean-up hitter Paul Taylor then stroked a bases-clearing double to deep left field. Mitch Kupiec then walked and Rob Craven singled. It was time to bring in the "rubber armed" Lennie Krogh. He didn't disappoint, setting down six of eight men to secure the first game victory.

In game two, Lennie Krogh pitched masterfully, allowing one run on five hits as Fenton's rode his

complete game to a 7-1 victory. Krogh used his overpowering fastball and deceptive curve in facing just 27 Arnold's batters in the seven-inning game.

Four Fenton's hitters had two-hit games: Pat Collins, John Cirillo, Rod Hull, and Brian Boski. Despite the humidity, catcher Trevor Hall worked both ends of the doubleheader and threw out two would-be base stealers in game two.

Fenton's awaits the winner of the Southwick Package versus Lengends Sports Bar semifinal series, which commenced Wednesday evening at Forest Park.

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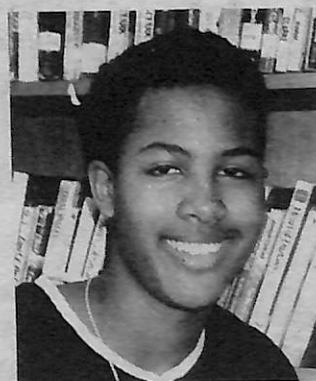
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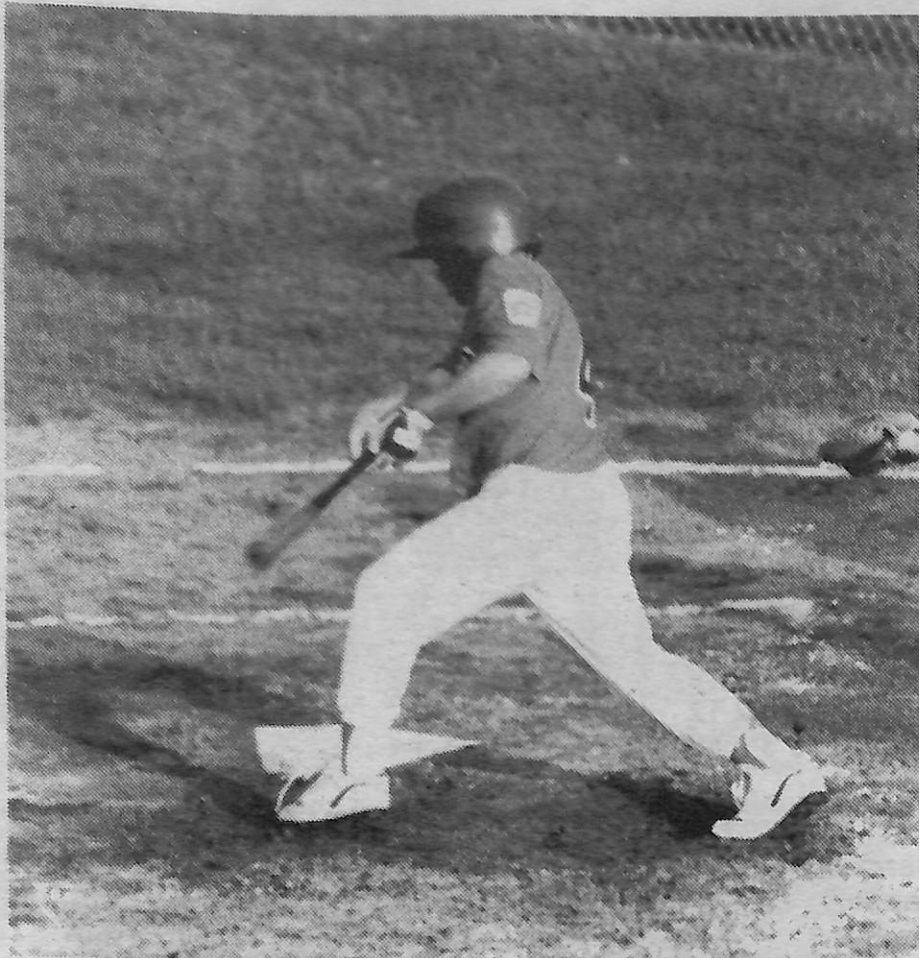
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Little League All-Stars Enjoy Fine Tournament



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AGAWAM LITTLE LEAGUE ALL-STAR Mark Barcomb takes a swing during recent tournament competition at the Little League Field on School Street. **RELATED PHOTOS ON PREVIOUS PAGE.** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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AHS Athletic Dept. Announces Important August-Sept. Dates

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The physical examination may be done by one's own doctor or done by the school doctor on the dates listed. In either case, a "M.I.A.A. Physical Examination Form" signed by a parent or guardian MUST accompany the student-athlete at the physical examination.

These forms are available in the main office or the Director of Athletics' office at Agawam High School from 7:30 a.m.-2:45 p.m., Monday through Friday.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

AUGUST 21, 1996: 8:30 a.m., JV/Varsity Football; 9:30 a.m., JV/Varsity Boys' Soccer; 10:30 a.m., JV/Varsity Girls' Soccer; 11:30 a.m., JV/Varsity Field Hockey.

AUGUST 23, 1996: 8:30 a.m., Freshmen Football; 9:15 a.m., Freshmen Boys' Soccer; 10:00 a.m., Freshmen Girls' Soccer; 10:30 a.m., Freshmen Field Hockey; 11:00 a.m., Gymnastics.

AUGUST 26, 1996: 8:30 a.m., Make-ups for Boys; 9:00 a.m., Make-ups for Girls.

PRACTICE/TRYOUT SCHEDULE

AUGUST 22, 23, 24, 1996: FOOTBALL ONLY (Conditioning days)

AUGUST 26, 1996: Double sessions begin for ALL sports. (Generally one morning session and one late afternoon/early evening session.)

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER 4, 1996: 2:15 p.m., Media Day

SEPTEMBER 5, 1996: 7:00 p.m., Back-To-Sport-Night (Mandatory for all student-athletes and a parent/guardian to attend.)

SEPTEMBER 6, 1996: Boys' Soccer opens against Amherst

SEPTEMBER 10, 1996: Field Hockey opens against Southwick. Girls' Soccer opens against West Springfield.

SEPTEMBER 13, 1996: Football opens against Northampton.

SEPTEMBER 27, 1996: Gymnastics opens against Gateway Regional.

5 Agawam Teams Competing In Annual Easter Seal Softball

Five Agawam teams will play softball in the Easter Seal Softball games on August 10th & 11th at Forest Park in Springfield. They join thousands of softball players all over Massachusetts who are playing ball to help empower people with disabilities.

The annual Games are sponsored by Marshalls, Business Equipment Depot, and WWLP-TV22.

Local teams already on the Easter Seal roster include Conair Martin, Dee Service, Inc., E.B.'s Restaurant, H.P. Hood Company, and United Processing.

Proceeds from the Easter Seal Softball Games support swim programs, summer camp, equipment loan, stroke support groups, home health care, physical and occupational therapy, speech therapy, technology for independence, and information and referral services.

There's still time to sign up, according to Easter Seal representative Judy Casey. For information, call the Western Easter Seal office at 734-6434.

Sunday Night Summer Soccer League

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| Argentina | 5 | 3 | 2 | 12 |

RESULTS OF SUNDAY, AUGUST 4th

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Italy 4, France 1

Brazil 2, Greece 1

Holland 2, Argentina 2

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Men's Volleyball Again Being Sponsored By Parks Dept.

The Agawam Parks and Recreation Department will once again sponsor a Men's Volleyball League this fall beginning September 5, 1996.

The League will meet on Tuesday and/or Thursday nights (dependent upon the number of teams entered). Rosters are now available in the Recreation Office.

Team fee is \$140. Registration deadline is Friday, August 16, 1996. There will be a mandatory coaches meeting on Monday, August 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the Recreation Office. Any interested player looking to get on a team is encouraged to call.

The League is open to any male adult 18 years or older and who is out of high school.

For more information, call the office at 786-0400, ext. 456.

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Junior Golf Clinic At Oak Ridge CC Another Big Success

"I would like to take this opportunity to extend my gratitude to all the sponsors who so graciously donated their time and financial support towards this season's junior golf clinic," said Stephen Sullivan, PGA Teaching Professional at Oak Ridge Golf Club in Feeding Hills.

"Instrumental in this year's success was *The Agawam Advertiser* and Ric Sardella for his full-page promotion and the Strycharz family of Oak Ridge Golf Club for providing a first-class golf facility along with their strong commitment toward junior golf," said Sullivan.

This year, four of the six classes were conducted at Longhi's Golf facility. "Their donation of over 6,000 practice balls, 150 rounds of miniature golf, and the use of their new executive par three course was truly above and beyond generous. I want to personally thank Jim Longhi and Fred Dysek, who went out of their way to accommodate the children and provide a friendly and safe atmosphere at Longhi's," Sullivan concluded.

This year's clinic had over 100 children ranging in ages from seven to 17, including two youngsters visiting from South America. The program covered the basics of the grip, stance, and body posture and the fundamentals of the golf swing, while emphasizing the etiquette of the game.

The six-session series of 75-minute classes concluded with "Contest Day." Students ages 12 to 17 competed on the executive par three course or the miniature golf course.

Youngsters ages seven to 11 battled it out on the miniature golf course. The winners were as follows:

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Agawam U14 Softball Goes 2-2 In Tourney Vs. Tough Opponents

The Topper's Ice Cream girls' U-14 fast pitch softball tournament (hosted by the Agawam All Stars) drew teams all the way from Salem, New Hampshire (state champs) to Stratford, Connecticut (home of the famous Raybesostos Brackets).

Massachusetts supplied the main ingredients of the tournament; Taunton, Lawrence, Acton, Worcester, Westboro, Northbridge, and Stoughton.

The tournament was open format guaranteeing each team at least four games on Saturday and Sunday. The final four teams go to the semis and finals, each playing two more games.

The Agawam All Star hitters encountered outstanding pitching from Westboro Heat, Taunton Blue Devils, Bay State Brats, Lawrence, and Sea Hawk (Stratford, CT).

After all the smoke had cleared, Agawam All Stars stood at 2-2, not enough to advance to the semi-finals. Taunton Blue Devils lost to Salem and Westboro Heat lost to Merrimack Valley Magic. In the consolation game for third place, Taunton out-slugged Westboro, 8-2. In the finals, Salem bested Merrimack, 2-0.



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM U14 Fast Pitch All-Star team hosted a tournament at Harmon Smith Field on July 27th and 28th. The team finished with a 2-2 record. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TIFFANY SCAIFFE (left) puts her bat on the ball in early round action of a girls' U14 fast pitch softball tournament at Harmon Smith Field on Saturday, July 27th. IN PHOTO RIGHT, Erin Sullivan was one of the pitchers used by the team during the tournament. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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Kristen Patterson Helps WMass Cheetahs At National Tourney

The Western Mass. Cheetahs Girls' AAU 16 & Under basketball team, including Agawam High junior Kristen Patterson, returned home recently after posting a 4-3 record at the U.S. Jr. National Tournament held at American and Catholic Universities in Washington, D.C.

Eighty teams from throughout the country participated. The Cheetahs got off to a good start on Saturday, July 27th, beating Three Rivers, PA, 49-27, and Capitol City, VA, 76-37. "We were somewhat sluggish in our first game at 8:30 a.m.," said Coach Joe Maggi. In the afternoon game versus Virginia, a balanced scoring attack and strong defense provided the Cheetahs with their second win.

After losing their first game to Urbana, Ohio, 74-45 on Sunday at 8:30 a.m., the Cheetahs rebounded to beat Central, PA by two points, 63-61 in a close, well-played game. "We're just not an early morning team," said assistant coach Jo-Ann T. Vanin. "Having to rise early and travel 50 minutes to the game sites to be there at 7:30 a.m. was difficult for the team, but we managed to split for the day."

The Cheetahs were 3-1 going into Monday's contests and suffered a one-point loss, 59-58 to Colorado. Down by 12 points at the half, 39-27, the Cheetahs kept clawing back to take the lead by four with 1:18 on the clock. Colorado made a seven-point run to go up by three with 14 seconds left. The Cheetahs inbounded and Patterson (Agawam) hit for a three that was ruled a two. "She clearly glanced at the floor to be sure she was behind the line," said Coach Maggi, "but one of the three officials signaled two points." The three would have sent the game into overtime. Meaghan Leahy (Suffield Academy) led all scorers with 20 points.

In the afternoon game versus Long Island, the Cheetahs came from a 33-24 half-time deficit to secure a 66-52 victory. The Cheetahs outscored Long Island in the second half. Nicky Vallieres (Hoosac Valley), who had been sidelined for five games with a pulled hamstring, came off the bench to score 18 points; 13 in the second half to lead all scorers. Holly Steinman (Taconic) had 11 points, Cara McMahon (Cathedral), and Erin Ladley (Pittsfield) each had 12 points.

Going into the seventh game on Tuesday, the 4-2 Cheetahs were pitted against the 6-0 Indiana Lady Raiders. "We had difficulty breaking their press," said Maggi. "They were a very quick and disciplined team and we found ourselves down by 17 at the half (32-15). We played a much better second half, but it wasn't enough." The Cheetahs lost, 59-43, leaving them 4-3 for the tournament.

"Success is not always measured in winning games," said Maggi. "We set out to be competitive on a higher level and to represent Western Mass. respectability and we accomplished that feat. This was a great experience for the team. The overall record doesn't really reflect how well they played."

"The rewards were the experience, the exposure, and the confidence they gained that made it all worthwhile," added assistant coach Vanin. "Coach Maggi and I are very proud and pleased with the character of the team's performance."

The Cheetahs closed their season with a record of 24-8. They were 20-5 entering the tournament with Coach Mike Thompson, who was unable to accompany the team to DC. Nearly 300 college coaches from all divisions throughout the country were on hand to scout all the players. Many coaches were impressed with the Cheetahs and expressed interest in some players.

Little League All-Stars - East Team



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM LITTLE LEAGUE East All-Star Team. Back row, from left - Coaches Ed Abraham, Dave Costa, George Groom, Frank Zucco, and John O'Brien. Middle row - Nicholas Abraham, Cory St. Germain, Pablo Ortiz-Alvarez, Eric Holt, Brandon Groom, and Cory Peabody, Matthew O'Brien, and Jim Zucco. Front row - Anthony Costa, Steven Costa, Dan Smith, Nicholas Sliech, Nicholas Grassetti, and Jeff Simpson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Little League All-Stars - West Team



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM LITTLE LEAGUE All-STARS West Team. Back row - Coaches Ted Kopyscinski, Tom Toyfair, Nick Ferretti, and Mark Summers. Middle row - T.J. Kopyscinski, Paul Glantz, Tyler Toyfair, Liz Connelly, and Steve Butt. Front row - Jake Ferretti, Alex Schwein, Danny Geiger, Jacob Kopyscinski, and Joshua Barcomb. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Outdoors New England

by Kent Servis
Outdoor Writer

The Federal government, states, and private sector have fought hard under the Recreational Fisheries Stewardship Initiative to implement their findings. In June, a Presidential Executive Order was issued on recreational fisheries.

The order mandated improved federal conservation of aquatic resources and required that a formal plan be developed to implement the initiative.

According to an American Sportfishing Association bulletin, the plan states, "All waters of the United States will be capable of sustaining healthy fish population, and all Americans will have access to and opportunity for a diverse array of quality recreational fishing opportunities."

The plan is designed to coordinate 26 federal agencies with a single goal:

1. "Conserve, enhance, and restore recreational fisheries, habitats and fish stocks, emphasizing self-sustaining populations where feasible."
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FISH REPORT FRESH WATER

Congamond Lakes continues to give up some jumbo largemouth bass as well as some trout. Kurt at Saunders Marina stated that trout fishermen were working hard for their fish. Deep trolling with lead core or downriggers was paying off for those who knew how to interpret a fish finder.

Goose Pond in Lee and Otis Reservoir have also checked in some nice bass as well as a few holdover trout.

Connecticut River fishermen are rejoicing at the return to stable water conditions. Night anglers are doing fairly well on walleyes around the bridge abutments especially those above the North End Bridge.

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The golf tournament will be a shotgun format and will begin at noontime.

The price for the golf tournament and dinner will be \$45 per person. At 4:00 p.m., munchies, hot dogs, hamburgers, and clam chowder will be served, followed by a steak dinner at 7:00 p.m.

The price for just the golf tournament is \$25. The price for just dinner is \$20.

For further information, contact Joe Guy, 786-9544, or Bob Watson, 786-8312. You may send your check and reservations to the Agawam Lions Club, Box 52, Agawam, MA 01001.

Timothy Sunstrom Memorial Golf Open Slated For Aug. 18th

The Timothy Sunstrom Memorial Committee announces that the Ninth Annual Scholarship Golf Open will take place at the Agawam Country Club in Feeding Hills on Sunday, August 18, 1996.

Tee times are available from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The entry fee of only \$50 includes greens fees, cart, prizes, and a smorgasbord at the John Boyle O'Reilly Club in Springfield.

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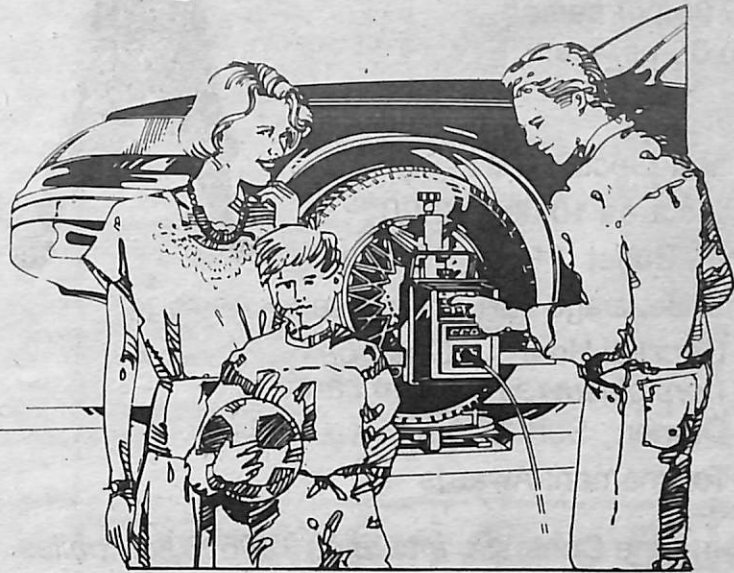
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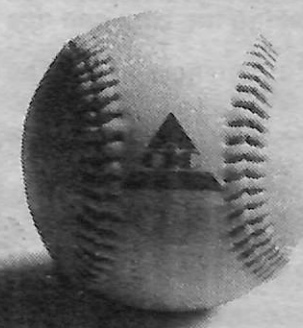
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Besides the Busch Grand National as seen on ESPN, TNN, and more, the event will feature four-type Modifieds, Late Models, and Strictly Stocks in pre-qualified action. All the premiere racing will be presented by NAPA Auto Parts stores of Greater Springfield, MA, and Hartford, CT.

The Riverside Busch race is one of the most unique stops on the national touring division special. It will offer a series of unique bonuses for one of the highest paying short-track stops of 1996. What makes the NAPA Auto Parts event unique is the competitor incentives for the Saturday, August 24th event at Riverside Park Speedway.

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Besides the VIP gifts, the event will include \$1,700-plus in NAPA time trial money; \$1,250 in NAPA lap leader money; Budweiser lap bonus money; NAPA "B" qualifying money of \$1,400; and much more. Based on all of this, a large turnout of cars is expected.

Busch drivers include Jerry Marquis, Kelly Moore, Andy Santerre, Dave Dion, Bob Drafon, Stub Fadden, Mike Stefanik, Tom Rosati, Dale Shaw, Jeff Barry, Babe Branscombe, and Tom Bolles. Over 50 cars are expected to be entered for the 125-lap event.

Advance tickets of \$20 each (which includes free parking) are available through Riverside Marketing and at the Saturday evening races at Riverside in the Winston Tower. This is a savings of \$2.99 — plus \$4 for parking — off the race day price. Call 1-800-370-7488 (race department - extension 3264) for more information.

Remember, the four-type Modifieds will be there will time trials, plus pre-qualified features in the Pro Stocks, Late Models, and Strictly Stocks. Don't forget the date — Saturday, August 24th (rain date Sunday, August 25th) at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam, MA.

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Each year, Pontiac — through Scranton Motors — has joined in promoting the biggest event of the season at Riverside. In 1994, Pontiac and Scranton Motors presented the Busch event, named as the Pontiac 100.

For 1996, Tom Scranton and Pontiac will again be a major supporter in the event by sponsoring the NASCAR four-type Modifieds, Pro Stocks, Late Models, and Strictly Stocks, plus several cash contingencies in the "NAPA Auto Parts 125" for the Busch Grand Nationals. The Saturday, August 24th Busch event is the biggest event of the season with a posted purse in excess of \$100,000.

Advance tickets are just \$20 for adults with free VIP parking worth \$4 (the total savings is a \$6.99 value). Tickets are available through the Riverside Speedway Marketing Office by check or mail order, and they are a great value!

Expected Busch drivers (with 50 cars entered) include Jerry Marquis, Kelly Moore, Andy Santerre, Tom Bolles, Bob Dragon, Brad Leighton, Glenn Sullivan, and many more.

Don't miss the biggest event of the 1996 season at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam on Saturday, August 24th (rain date Sunday, August 25th).

WMAS Radio To Sponsor Open Pantry Golf Benefit

WMAS AM-FM Radio is sponsoring this year's Open Pantry Golf Benefit. Their on-air personalities will help make this year's benefit a success.

The tournament, which will be at Shaker Farms Country Club in Westfield, will be played on Thursday, August 22nd. Sign-up is at 9:00 a.m.; shotgun start is at 9:30 a.m. This benefit is for both men and women.

The benefit, which was started four years ago by Paul Skowera as a way of raising money for the West Springfield-Agawam Open Pantry, has grown and raised over \$11,000 to date. This year hopes to be the biggest yet. The need for funds grows each year, and as the Bible says, "What you do for the least of my brethren, you do for me."

The prizes — which include an evening on the town with a limousine and dinner for two, a week's vacation in Florida, and a set of Spaulding irons — will be part of a drawing to be held on the day of the tournament.

All the sponsors' money and proceeds from the benefit go to the West Springfield-Agawam Open Pantry. Those who are interested can play for \$74, which includes golf, cart, meal, and on-course prizes.

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| Jeff Connors | 652 |
| Ed Carroll | 614 |
| Scott Bouley | 596 |
| Barry Gray | 574 |
| Bennett Fuller | 502 |
| Rich Vasseur | 486 |
| Jeff Horn | 484 |
| Fran Colson | 468 |
| Jim Banfield | 466 |
| Doug D'Alessandro | 450 |
| Les Hinckley | 386 |

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| Chris Wenzel | 638 |
| Glenn Griswold | 604 |
| Gee Perry | 604 |
| Ted Chalmers | 592 |
| Rob Valerio | 590 |
| Bobby Ermark | 580 |
| Chuck Docherty | 580 |
| Wayne Coury | 576 |
| Skip Breunig | 550 |
| Joe Czarnecki | 512 |
| Tom Dileo | 496 |
| Joe Rzeszutek | 442 |
| Brian Locke | 434 |
| Roy Houle | 430 |

STRICTLY STOCKS

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| Dennis Charette | 766 |
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| Keith Miller | 652 |
| Scott Neleber | 650 |
| Jon Waterhouse | 610 |
| Scott Ciak | 542 |
| Pat Kretchman | 526 |
| Glenn Reilly | 512 |
| Joe Kokoszka | 494 |
| Ed Charette | 490 |
| Todd Malvezzi | 478 |
| Tony Kielty | 462 |

Old Riverside 500 Team Concept Returns To Speedway On August 3rd

Saturday, August 3rd was a night of memories at Riverside Park Speedway: the old Riverside 500 Team Concept event, where time trials make up the teams and partners or teammates of the first feature become the contender of the overall winning team.

It was Richie Gallup starting on the pole after his teammate, Eddy Carroll, won the Yankee Energy 75-Lap Pro Stock Feature. Gallup held on through three cautions and was pressured heavily by Dan Avery in the closing laps. Avery almost had the lead on lap 39, but lost ground as Chris Kopec, teamed with John Lobo, was the next contender, and from the lap 22 spot came the Reg as his partner in the Pro Stocks, Jay Miller, dropped out first.

Dave Berube, in search of the 1996 title, also ran strong. As the checkers in the Yankee Energy-NAPA Auto Parts feature was waved, it was Richie Gallup for his third win of 1996 at Riverside. Second went to Dan Avery (Porter-Chester), third, Chris Kopec (Clean Sweep), fourth, Reggie Ruggiero (Ed Oles), and fifth, Dave Berube (Justilia). Sixth through 10th went to Ted Riggott (International), Tom Jensen (A&E Auto), Richard Savary (C&W), Dave Callo (Mickey Finns), and Rob Summers.

"The car was really working again, thanks to Luther Hosner and our sponsor, Phil Lauro, Attorney at Law. Besides, it doesn't hurt to start up front. I really owe that to my teammate, Eddy Carroll. His win gave me the front starting spot," said the popular Richie Gallup. "Thanks should also be given to Yankee Energy and NAPA Auto Parts," he said.

On the other side of the team, it was Eddy Carroll who came from the 11th starting spot. Rich Vassuer started in the number one spot and led until lap 29. When the car started to backfire, it was Eddy Carroll flying on the outside to take over the number one spot. Still, this battle was just beginning as veteran Team Concept driver John Lobo moved into challenge.

During the last 10 laps of this 75 lap feature, these two ran side-by-side every lap. Then a single file restart set the stage as Eddy Carroll was again

the dominant car. Carroll would expand his lead in the points to win the feature and the team bonus with Richie Gallup. John Lobo (Wagner Rug) was second over Barry Gray (Yankee Energy). Fourth went to Tom Carey (Salamone Law), and fifth was Ed Carroll (Riverside Motorsports).

Sixth through 10th were Jeff Connors, Doug Dell, Jeff Horn, Jim Mavloganes, and Bennett Fuller.

"What a great race. I really enjoy running wheel-to-wheel with a clean driver like John Lobo. That's just great racing. The car was hooked up on the outside," said Eddy Carroll. "My thanks goes to my crew and family for a great race car," he said. Carroll expands the point lead.

E.J. Legacy moved into the lead on lap number one and led to lap number 12. Ted Chalmers then took over on lap 12. Five laps later, it was Ted Chalmers to take over. Then it was E.J. Legacy to fight back and take the lead.

With two laps to go, Wayne Coury spun and broke an axle. A single file restart gave E.J. Legacy the advantage to secure his first win in 1996. Following him was Ted Chalmers, Glen Griswold (third), Skip Hrunig (fourth), and fifth was Brian Locke.

Sixth through 10th were Chuck Docherty, Rob Valerio, Rob Ermark, Joe Czarnecki, and Todd Owen.

"My dad works real hard on this car. With the help of the Cram Team, we were able to win this event. I can't believe it's a win, finally," said E.J. with a big smile.

Jags Palmer won the Legends Car feature over Joe Dateman. In the Strictly Stocks, it was Patrick Townsend to take the lead from Jonathon Yourga. At the checker, it was Townsend over Yourga, Jim Sommers, George Colton, Jeff Soukupand, and John Waterhouse. Rounding out the top 10 were Rosi Hall, Patrick Kretchman, Scott Ciak, and Mark Anderson.

Next Saturday, August 10th, the NEMA MIDGETS join the four regular NASCAR Divisions at 6:00 p.m. For more information, call the Hotline at (413) 786-9300, RACE *4.

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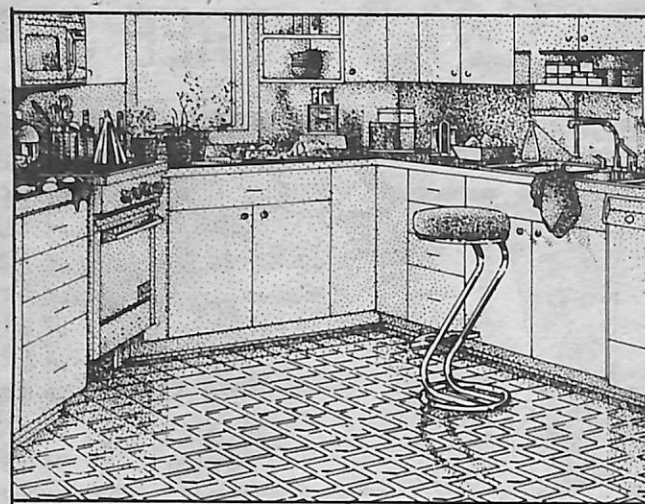
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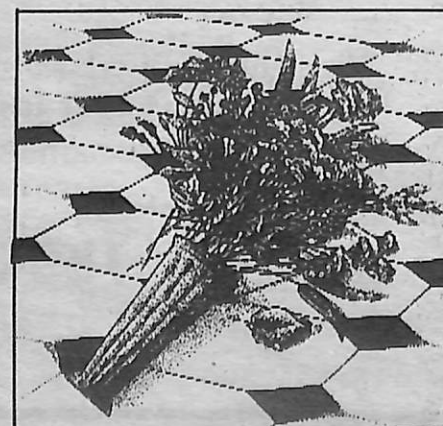
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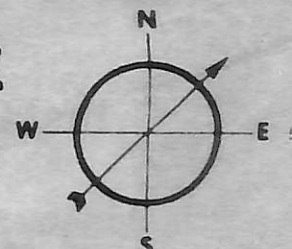
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